

Divers Find No Trace of Auto

Naval divers had failed to find any trace of the missing motor car which it is believed took several men to their death near the Outer Docks, up to 2.40 this afternoon.

One diver covered the harbor bottom between the breakwater and the outside pier and found nothing. Another diver is working on the west side of the pier across to the grain elevator.

Report Victorians Carrier Captains

VANCOUVER (CP)—Two Victoria men, Capt. Horatio Nelson Lay and Capt. Ronald I. Agnew, will command the Royal Navy escort aircraft carriers, which Navy Minister Macdonald announced in Ottawa today will be manned by the Canadian navy. The Sun said this afternoon in a newspaper story.

Huge Daylight Raids

LONDON (CP)—Large formations of R.A.F., R.C.A.F. and U.S. heavy, medium, light and fighter bombers attacked military objectives in northern France today. It was authoritatively stated tonight.

Ashton Promoted

WINNIPEG (CP)—Group Capt. A. J. Ashton, Air Officer in charge of Administration for No. 2 Bomber Group, R.C.A.F. here, has been promoted to air commodore. It was announced today. Before coming to Winnipeg he commanded R.C.A.F. station at Patricia Bay, B.C.

Women Undertakers

VANCOUVER (CP)—Vancouver undertakers face such a manpower shortage they soon may ask for women employees to learn the business, mortician William Rathington said today.

May Close Plants

WASHINGTON (AP)—Rep. Horan (Rep.-Wash.) said today that Joseph B. Eastman, director of the Office of Defence Transportation, had recommended to the War Production Board the closing down of 20 of the 25 aluminum production lines in the U.S. Pacific Northwest.

Ships for B.C.

VANCOUVER (CP)—There is definite assurance of new contracts for Vancouver shipyards sometime this spring, Clarence Wallace, president of Burrard Drydocks Ltd., said today on his return from Ottawa. He refused to discuss reports that coast yards would share in a huge landing craft construction program announced in Ottawa last week.

Russ Plunge On Beyond Mozyr

LONDON (CP)—The Russian army today, after capturing the regional centre of Mozyr and the railway junction of Kalinkovichi, swept up more than 40 other towns and hamlets as it surged west of the two towns, Moscow announced tonight in a broadcast communique.

The 1st Ukrainian Army of Gen. Nikolai Vatutin reached out farther in old Poland to capture the district centre of Stepan, 45 miles inland the prewar frontier and 17 miles south of Tutovichi.

Low Cost Loan

WINNIPEG (CP)—The lowest-cost loan in Winnipeg's history was assured today by a bid from Nesbitt, Thomson and Co. on a bond issue of \$1,540,000. The price tendered was \$108.3011 per \$100, representing an interest cost to the city of 2.87 per cent.

R.C.N. 80,000 Strong

OTTAWA (CP)—Navy Minister Macdonald announced at his press conference here today that the Royal Canadian Navy was reaching the peak strength of the British navy. The R.C.N. now has more than 80,000 men and women, 250 combat ships and 450 ships of other types. The R.N. had a strength of 100,000 at the start of the war.

Nazis Announce Village Evacuated

LONDON (AP)—The German International Information Bureau, a propaganda broadcasting organization, said today the Germans had abandoned the village of Aquafonata, seven miles northeast of Cassino. The village previously had been reported nearly encircled by French forces in the surrounding hills.

Nazis' Escape Route From Mozyr Cut



Drag for Missing Men

Soldiers and police officers heave on drag ropes in effort to locate at Outer Docks a sedan believed to have carried from one to five men. The line against the dock is bringing to the surface a hatch cover of the motorship Beulah, which sank at this berth six years ago. In background is army.



P.M.L. 6 anchored off scene with Provincial Constables Earl Lockwood, R. W. Sinclair, John W. Currie and J. N. McNaughton and City Constables E. A. ... They have just lowered their drags.

Smith Appointment To College Rejected By U.B.C. Governors

The Board of Governors of the University of British Columbia has declined approval of the appointment of H. L. Smith, Victoria High School principal, to the principalship of Victoria College, the city school board was informed today.

Trustee Austin Curtis, chairman, said a special meeting of the board would be held next week to consider the question. Until that meeting, he indicated, no further statement will be made.

The U.B.C. letter, over the signature of Dr. L. S. Klinek, president, said:

"The Board of Governors at a special meeting held on Jan. 10 gave further consideration to the recommendation of the Board of School Trustees of Victoria with respect to the appointment of Mr. H. L. Smith to the principalship of Victoria College. After discussion the following resolution was passed:

"That the Board of Governors of the University of British Columbia, having carefully considered the question of the appointment of Mr. H. L. Smith to the principalship of Victoria College, and, in addition, having had the advice of a committee composed of members of the professional staff and of the Senate of the University, finds itself unable to consent to the proposed appointment."

Canadian Sailors To Man 2 Carriers For British Navy

OTTAWA (CP)—Navy Minister Macdonald told a press conference today the Canadian navy will man two British Navy escort aircraft carriers some time in the next few months, with the carriers remaining as units of the Royal Navy.

Mr. Macdonald said Canada will supply the officers and ratings to man the vessels while Britain will supply the ammunition, other stores and the aircrew.

The navy's decision to enter the carrier field in this limited way results from studies which the minister announced were in progress some time ago, and is believed to fit in with British plans and the British manpower situation.

It was not considered worthwhile for Canada to establish a fleet air arm and proceed to train fliers for it with a view to manning only two carriers and it was not anticipated a greater number of these ships could be obtained.

Steelhead Run On

Steelhead are beginning to run in the Cowichan River.

Already good catches are reported by sportsmen. And already game wardens are on the job checking up along the streams where the fish are running, to see whether the fishermen have their licenses.

Admiral Nelles Goes to Britain Jones Becomes Navy Staff Chief

OTTAWA (CP)—Vice-Admiral Percy W. Nelles will go to London as senior Canadian flag officer and is succeeded as chief of the Canadian Naval Staff by Rear-Admiral George C. Jones, former vice-chief. It was announced at a press conference here today by Navy Minister Macdonald.

The new move is in line with invasion plans which have sent chiefs of army and air staffs—Lt. Gen. Kenneth Stuart and air Marshal L. S. Breadner—to Britain recently.

In commenting on the move, a navy press release said the United Kingdom has assumed new importance as the area from which an attack against German-controlled Europe will be launched.

"In view of these impending great events it is felt the senior Canadian naval officer in Britain is Capt. F. L. Houghton;

The statement made no mention of Capt. Houghton's next post. Nor did it say who would succeed Admiral Jones as vice-chief.

The navy minister said Canadians now are undergoing training fitting them for the job of taking over two new gift cruisers—Canada's first in this war—from the Royal Navy. He estimated the cost of the two ships at between \$10,000,000 and \$15,000,000.

The press release said that last year Allied shipping losses were less than one-half of the 1942 figure. On the other hand, cargo shipbuilding by the United Nations was more than twice as great as it was in 1942.



To London ... Vice-Admiral Percy W. Nelles.



Navy Staff Chief ... Rear-Admiral George C. Jones.

have their part to play in this great assault."

Admiral Nelles, a native of Brantford, Ont., entered the navy in 1908 at 16 and has been chief of naval staff for 10 years.

Admiral Jones, a native of Halifax, entered the Royal Naval College of Canada in 1911 and has had wide seagoing and administrative experience in the navy. At the outbreak of war he was serving as captain of Canadian destroyers, commanding H.M.C.S. Ottawa at Esquimalt.

He later commanded the destroyer Assiniboine and served as Commanding Officer, Halifax Force, and Commanding Officer, Atlantic Coast, before coming to Ottawa as vice-chief of the naval staff little more than a year ago. He is Canadian naval member of the Joint Defence Board and was promoted rear-admiral in 1941. (See "His Appointment," Page 2.)

First Lord's Grace

LONDON (P-Reuters)—A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, asked to say grace at a luncheon today, said: "For this food we eat, thank God and the men of the fleet."

Industrial Survey In Victoria to Get More Men for Army

Essential industries from shipyards to newspaper offices are being surveyed in Victoria by three regional investigators from Vancouver, with a view to the orderly withdrawal of draft-age men from essential industry, C. A. Mudge, manager of the local office of National Selective Service, said today.

"The Industrial Mobilization Survey which has begun all across Canada is for the purpose of obtaining men for the army," Mr. Mudge said. "The demands for the army are continuing demands."

Among groups being surveyed in Victoria are: Shipyards, fuel companies, lumber companies, machine shops, contracting firms, transportation, power and light, telephone company, municipal services, foundries and newspapers. Certain occupations within industry will also be surveyed, for example, that of drug-gists, according to Mr. Mudge.

Investigators are contacting personnel heads, managers or timekeepers in various establishments and are leaving with them forms which are to be filled out by the employer and returned as soon as possible. Factual information including age, type of work, marital status, education and length of time it will take to train a replacement, is sought on each male employee of draft age.

"Each draft-age worker is interviewed personally by an employment adviser from the Industrial Mobilization Survey Division of National Selective Service. Each case is considered individually," Mr. Mudge explained.

"At the present time we do not know the number of men on deferment throughout Victoria, but will have that compiled on completion of the survey. If the job done by a man on deferment can be handled by another person on the staff, the man on deferment will be able to answer his military call."

Unless the person available has exceptional skill, which is greatly in demand by high priority industry, for example a journeyman electrician, machinist or tool-maker, that person, if not absolutely required in his own plant, will be transferred to other essential work, Mr. Mudge continued.

"The idea behind the survey is to provide a listing of personnel of essential industries in designated age groups subject to military call, so that there will be an orderly withdrawal of these men from their work and replacement of them with other workers."

7 Slain in France

BARCELONA (AP)—Paris press dispatches today said Joseph Serlin, former member of the French Senate, had been slain by an unidentified assassin at Lyons several days ago. Six other persons were said to have been killed and two others wounded in a single day in the Cote d'Or department in attacks by persons which the German-controlled press described as "terrorists."

Heavy Object Hooked, Oil Rises to Water Surface

Provincial and city police today were no nearer solution of the mysterious drowning of one man and disappearance of four others New Year's Day, but continued dragging operations at Outer Harbor where police believe the five may have perished when their car plunged into the sea.

J. A. McLellan, city police chief, announced arrangements have been completed to have a navy diver comb the sea floor around Piers A and B where police are conducting the search.

Dragging operations by city and provincial police using the B.C. police boat P.M.L. 6, which was brought here Thursday from near Nanaimo where it was engaged in other operations, continued today and produced a car bumper.

Heavily crusted with rust and carrying some barnacles, police were satisfied it had been in the water longer than two weeks.

Skipper Earl Lockwood of the P.M.L. 6 suggested: "It's probably a chunk of scrap the Japs didn't get to hurl back at us."

The dragging was carried on where before the war scrap was loaded on ships going to Japan. Officers believe the bottom of the harbor is covered with scrap and debris.

HOOKED HEAVY OBJECT

Thursday afternoon, with two drag hooks firmly anchored on some heavy object 44 feet below the surface, police secured the co-operation of a large crane truck. They were unsuccessful in their efforts to get a third hook on the object, but did not raise it. Police felt ropes attached to the other two hooks were not strong enough to stand the pull of the truck winches.

Previously the dragging operations had produced a large canvas hatch cover, several yards of steel cable, a piece of a two-inch hawser and an oil can, all believed to have been from the Panamanian motorship Beulah which sank at the outer wharf Dec. 27, 1937, after limping into port with a shifted cargo.

Oil was frequently seen to rise to the surface during dragging operations Thursday afternoon.

Wives' Apartments Planned for Camp

Part, at least, of the Gordon Head camp may be turned into apartments for wives and families of servicemen in this area.

R. W. Mayhew, M.P., said today he is putting plans for such a development before the department at Ottawa.

"If servicemen are brought from other parts of Canada to this area for any length of time, it is only fair that there should be some consideration for their wives and families in the way of providing accommodation for them here," Mr. Mayhew said.

"It is natural that the wives should want to follow their husbands, and in a non-fighting area like this I think it is a good thing."

Gordon Head camp was established...

First Snowdrop

First snowdrops reported blooming in Greater Victoria gardens this year have been brought to the Times by Mrs. G. W. MacKie, who says she has been picking them in her garden at 543 Manchester Road, since New Year's Day.

Ton of Butter Stolen

STOUFFVILLE, Ont. (CP)—More than 2,000 pounds of butter, a dairy truck, a radio and a tank of gasoline were stolen Thursday night from the Stouffville creamery. Stouffville is 18 miles north-east of Toronto. The truck was recovered later, but the butter and radio were missing.

lished as an officers' school and functioned as such until the middle of last year, when the school was abolished.

Railway Station Tutovichi Taken By Ukraine Army

LONDON (AP)—The Russian army today captured the regional centre of Mozyr and the rail junction of Kalinkovichi, clearing another important sector of the Zlobin-Berdichev railway line for Red Army communications.

The two towns, protected by the strongest defences the Germans could build in many months of occupation, were captured by Gen. Constantine Rokossovsky's forces on the fourth day of their offensive in that area.

The two White Russian towns are about 12 miles apart, with Kalinkovichi to the north, the more important for it is on a junction of the Moscow-Warsaw and Leningrad-Odessa lines.

The twin triumph, clearing a path for the Red Army through the Pripiet Marshes into Poland, and toward Pinsk, was announced in a special order of the day by Premier Stalin, recorded by the Soviet press.

Stalin praised the troops for a "skilful outflanking manoeuvre" which took the two towns by storm. Kalinkovichi was termed "a large railway junction and important German defence stronghold."

Earlier the Moscow radio had said Cossack cavalry, slashing out across the snows of White Russia, had cut the escape route of beaten Nazi forces streaming westward from Mozyr and had left Mozyr far behind.

On the lower side of the frozen Pripiet marshlands 160 miles to the southwest, Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's 1st Ukrainian Army stormed the railway station at Tutovichi, 11 miles west of Sarny on the Kiev-Warsaw railway. His troops also captured Korets, 20 miles west of Novograd Volynski, and Brykovo, nine miles farther west.

Vatutin's centre also penetrated another important area of Nazi communications as pressure was increased on Rovno, 50 miles south of Sarny; Luck, 65 miles to the southwest; and Kovel, 80 miles to the west.

May Isolate Lwow, Make Big Bottleneck

Loss of this area or deep penetrations such as are being effected, would all but isolate the key city of Lwow by rail from the north and would make a tremendous bottleneck of that junction, already burdened by the heavy traffic moving through it on the Odessa-Warsaw trunk railway. Lwow is 85 miles southwest of Luck.

West of Sarny, Vatutin's lightning units were roaring out of the Pripiet Marshes and beating down the railway in the direction of Kovel.

These units were only about 95 miles east of the Curzon Line—demarcation line between Poland and Russia which was proposed by an Allied commission at the end of the First Great War and the line which the Soviet government has indicated it is willing to accept as a basis for negotiation now.

Long Pacific War Foreseen By Knox

CLEVELAND (AP)—Navy Secretary Frank Knox today termed "wishful thinking" any belief that the conflict in Europe will end soon through collapse of the German home front.

"A quick ending of the war is unlikely," he said. "There is no ground for hope that the German home front will collapse. It's a different kind of front from the last war, with the control Himmler and his Gestapo have over the people."

Knox said the war in the Pacific theatre "will take time and be costly."

Ice in Car Tires Piles Freight Bill

Victoria branch of the B.C. Salvage received a bill for freight for a load of rubber sent down east recently which listed \$25.90 for charges on ice—2,039 lbs of it! This statement puzzled officials for a while until the matter was cleared up. What had happened was that water had collected inside automobile tires, and in passage across the sub-zero prairies, it had become frozen, thus adding a ton or more to the weight of the salvage.

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Recent measurements show that four glaciers in Glacier National Park, Mont., all receded during the past year, despite unusually heavy precipitation and cold weather during 1942-43.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Boilermakers and Shipbuilders Union, Local No. 2, will hold their regular meeting in Chamber of Commerce Hall, Tuesday, Jan. 16, at 7:30 p.m. Reports of delegates to the annual convention of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers will be special subjects.

Dr. Douglas W. Graham, 1007 Joan Crescent, announces that he is taking six months leave of absence from his practice.

Overseas League Y.W.C.A., Saturday, Jan. 15, 2:30. Sir Robert Holland, K.C.I.E., subject: "Comments on Current Events."

Victoria Musical Art Society: Artist students and senior students' recital, Wednesday, Jan. 19, 1944, Empress Hotel, at 8:30 p.m. Guest tickets 55c, obtainable at Fletcher Bros. Music Store.

W.A. to Pro Patria Branch—Winners of tombola: 1st, Mrs. Morris; 2nd, Mr. Brown.

W.A. Jubilee Hospital—Bridge tea, linen shower, Nurses' Home, Feb. 4, at 2 p.m. Bridge 50c, tea guest 25c. Baby stall. Prizes. Reservations, phone G 3745, G 1697, E 5837.

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Germans Expect Big Drive By 8th; French Advancing

By JOSEPH E. DYNAN
ALGIERS (AP)—Gen. Alphonse Juin's French forces pushed through Italy's rugged Apennines for a two-mile gain from the east, and U.S. troops advanced slightly from the south, Thursday, in an encircling assault on the natural and artificial defences of Cassino, which the Germans call their "Gustav Line," Allied headquarters announced today.

Outstanding news of the 8th Army's front came from Vichy, the German radio there being quoted by Reuters as saying: "A move on the part of the British 8th Army in Italy can shortly be expected in the Adriatic coastal sector, since British artillery there has become particularly active."

The Americans repulsed a heavy German counterattack on Cervaro, about midnight Wednesday, then consolidated their gains and threatened the Nazi control of the northern slopes of Mount Trocchio, just south of the Rome road, and less than three miles from Cassino.

FIERCE DEFENCE

But German resistance was extremely fierce in this final, defensive belt around the next Allied objective, and the maze of weapon pits, road blocks, minefields, barbed-wire entanglements and trenches, augmenting the natural defensive features of a north-south line through the village itself, guaranteed a desperate struggle before the point is taken.

High ground around the village, plus the banks of the rapid river on which the village is built, had been heavily fortified by the Germans, and the line which German prisoners say the Nazis named the "Gustav line."

Referring to the tough fighting which took place for Cervaro and the mountain features beyond, an Allied commentator said the forthcoming battle of Cassino would be harder yet.

CAPTURE RIDGE

Attacking over the rugged central Italian terrain, Gen. Juin's French forces captured the eastern slopes of Mount San Pietro in San Pietro ridge and completed the seizure of all Monna Casale range south of the Colli-Atrina road.

The French hold all the high ground north, northeast and southwest of the village of Aquafondalla, seven miles northeast of Cassino, and also have outflanked the village of Viticuso to the southeast. The Germans still are in Viticuso.

Mount Casale, 4,000 feet in height, overlooks Aquafondalla. To the southwest of this the French also captured 4,000-foot Mount Aquafondalla, between the village of Mount Raimo, which the French seized the day before.

The German communiqué today said: "A heavy battle is in full swing" in this section and that the fight was growing in violence.

On the 8th Army's front near the Adriatic British and New Zealanders improved their positions near Orsogna by advancing 500 yards, but most of the activity was confined to sharp artillery exchanges and patrol activity. The Canadian 1st Division on the Adriatic coast about four miles northwest of Ortona has confined its activities to patrolling for more than a week.

U.S. Fighter Pilot Hero in Big Battle

LONDON (CP)—Of the many who played heroic roles in Tuesday's daylight aerial assault on central Germany, one to receive high tribute from bomber crews today was an unknown Mustang pilot who drove alone into a formation of 30 Nazi fighters.

The explanation of his anonymity may lie in the announcement that five U.S. fighters failed to return from the historic battle.

Bomber crewmen who witnessed his dive, his guns blazing, believe he may have shot down as many as six from the enemy group.

"For sheer determination and guts, it was the greatest exhibition I have ever seen," said Maj. Allis Brooks of Pasadena, Calif.

Lost Life in Driver's Seat of Charred Car



Saanich firemen, pulling this car from a flaming garage Wednesday evening, found the badly charred body of Miss Ethel Corbett, 59-year-old poultry woman, 3922 Carey Road, behind the driver's wheel. The mysterious circumstances of the death will be probed at an inquest at 10:30 tomorrow at the Curry Funeral Home. Officials of the Fire Marshall's department will also investigate cause of the fire.

'Caddy', Thought Dead, Reappears

"Caddy," reported mortally rammed by a Brentwood boatman several months ago, has made a reappearance. Last Tuesday at Maple Bay "Caddy" bobbed up off the seashore home of Mrs. D. Parker-Smith.

Victor Scholey, who lives nearby, and Mrs. Parker-Smith watched "Caddy" through glasses and the former, who admits that previously he did not believe in the existence of the creature, said his mind.

"It was between 1:30 and 2 p.m. that I first saw the creature," said Mr. Scholey. It was traveling slowly and in spite of its slow speed it made quite a commotion in the water.

"Obtaining binoculars I observed the monster carefully. About 30 feet long, with a diameter of four feet, it was of a rather neutral shade, just the color of a dogfish. Obliquely it lifted about 10 feet of its length from the water so I was able to ascertain the body thickness. There was little taper in the

body until the tail was almost reached.

"Owing to its slow speed and the fact that it was just 50 yards from the shore, observation was made convenient and showed that the head was exceedingly small for such a huge body bulk. The nose or snout was very short. Mrs. Parker-Smith also had an opportunity to view the strange creature and corroborates my description of it.

"Last July C. E. Bromsley and others in Maple Bay saw a sea monster in the same locality. I have compared descriptions with him and they are identical."

Although many residents of this area feared that "Caddy" had been the victim of a ramming incident, his close friends were convinced that "Caddy" had suffered no harm.

"We knew he'd show up again," said one of his most ardent admirers. "There's no boatman smart enough to get 'Caddy.' As time goes on more people are going to be like Mr. Scholey and change their opinions about sea serpents."

13 Jap Barges Sunk Off New Guinea

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NEW GUINEA (AP)—Allied planes and light naval craft, further undermining the Japanese position in northeastern New Guinea, have taken a toll of 13 more enemy barges and hampered the supply base and troop centre at Alexishafen with 104 tons of bombs.

The naval craft sank three barges carrying about 90 troops off Reis Point and got two more while the enemy was loading them at Sio, an Allied communiqué said today.

Both Sio and Reis Point are in the vicinity of the Kapugara River, where Australians are forcing the enemy from steep cliffs on the north bank. The Aussies have been overcoming stiff enemy rearguard opposition as they move toward the U.S. invasion force at Saidor, about 55 miles northwest.

Heavy bombers led the attack on Alexishafen, starting fires and destroying a jetty. Medium bombers came over later at low level, strafing and bombing. Eight fires were started in supply dumps along the big airstrip, a medium enemy bomber was destroyed on the field and four barges in the harbor were damaged.

Other barges and a 1,000-ton enemy cargo ship were destroyed or damaged by Allied aircraft striking at Hansa Bay and Bogadjim.

More than 60 divebombers from Solomon Islands Allied bases, with an 80-plane fighter escort, treated Cape St. George, on the southern tip of New Ireland, to a precision bombing attack with 36 tons of explosives.

Heavy bombers, also from Solomon bases, laid 36 tons of explosives on airdromes at Rabaul, the oft-bombed enemy base in northeastern New Britain.

Canadians Active On Night Patrols

WITH CANADIANS IN ITALY (CP)—Patrol activity continues on the Adriatic front, where Canadians and Germans are sparring in a 1,000-yard deep no man's land south of the steep-banked Arielli River.

Groups of from three to 25 soldiers go out each night to test the strength of German defences, and bring back as much information as they can. Because of brilliant moonlight they rarely return without a brush with the enemy.

While forward forces are pe-

William Collier, Veteran Actor, Dies

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP)—Death has closed the 66-year stage and screen career of William Collier Sr.

The playwright and actor, 77, died Thursday of complications following pneumonia. His wife, Paula, was at his bedside.

When 11 years old, Collier ran away from home to tour in a children's company of "H.M.S. Pinafore." Brought back to finishing school, he got a job with Augustin Daly as call-boy. He rose from bit parts and understudies to become a hit on Broadway with Eddie Foy in "Bluebeard Jr."

Besides his wife, relatives surviving him include his son, actor William (Buster) Collier Jr.; his brother, John Collier of Emmaus, Pa., and sister, Mrs. Helen Garlick, Goshen, N.Y.

Funeral service will be conducted tomorrow at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale.

U.S. Envoy Dies

WELLINGTON, N.Z. (CP)—William C. Burdett, U.S. minister to New Zealand, died today.

Born at Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 3, 1884, Burdett had been in the diplomatic and consular service since 1919. He had been ill for some time and took up his duties here only two months ago.

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Ontario Legislature To Open Feb. 22

TORONTO (CP)—The first session of Ontario's 21st Legislature will open Tuesday, Feb. 22, Premier Drew announced today.

He said the opening date was later than usual to avoid having to adjourn until the Dominion budget is brought down.

"Because of the wide powers under the War Administration Act, the Dominion budget has considerable influence on provincial legislation, particularly on provincial finances," he said. "A break in the main session would be very inconvenient for members."

Unwinding of Controls Big Task in Britain

LIVERPOOL, Eng. (CP)—Lord Woolton, British minister of reconstruction, said today that one of the government's major reconstruction problems will be "unwinding the administrative machine" imposing controls in British industry and life.

He addressed an audience at Liverpool University, where he

received an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

"Our entire industrial capacity has grown accustomed to working under government control," he said. "We, ourselves, have become people-controlled in our private lives."

"That is war, but the reconstructed England isn't going to be like this."

Lord Woolton said controls necessarily must remain until supply and demand are in balance, but added: "I venture the reminder that we are a democracy."

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Drinking Lotions

TORONTO (CP) — The Star quoted Toronto police as saying lotions containing alcohol are in great demand since wine, beer and liquor have been rationed. "On a recent Sunday, police were called to a downtown drug

store where a crowd of men had gathered waiting for a shop to open," the Star said. "All were waiting to buy lotions to cure a hangover," police declared. "Chief coroner, Smiley Lawson, said two Toronto men have died in the last month from drinking after-shave lotion."

**Roosevelt to Meet
Southern Democrats**

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Roosevelt will have an opportunity next week of restoring harmony in the ranks of southern Democrats, some of whose leaders have been talking of forming a third party.

A White House "social," it was learned today, is being planned for a group of southern governors who are to meet here Monday to renew their perennial demand for railroad freight rate equality.

Having long sought rates equal to those prevailing in the industrial east to "free our region from economic peonage," the southern governors on occasion threatened party reprisals unless given administration support.

Further cracks in the "solid south" have resulted from disputes over legislation dealing with poll taxes, absentee voting by servicemen and other issues. The party rift flared out on the Senate floor last month when Senators Josiah W. Bailey (Dem., N.C.) and Ellison D. Smith (Dem., S.C.) threatened a "secessionist" movement aimed at forming an independent southern organization.

**Beatrice Potter
Died in England**

NEW YORK (AP) — The Herald Tribune says Mrs. William Hoelzel, 77, who wrote the "Peter Rabbit" books under her maiden name of Beatrice Potter, died Dec. 22 at Sawrey, Eng.

Miss Potter created Peter Rabbit in 1893 when writing letters to an invalid boy in London. She published a story for children entitled "The Tale of Peter Rabbit," which has been translated into five languages besides English.

According to New York representatives of J. Warne and Co. Ltd., London publisher of Miss Potter, the sale has run into millions of copies, the newspaper said.

**Japanese Attempts
To Retake Arawe
Fail Repeatedly**

By ROBERT EUNSON
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS,
SOUTH PACIFIC (AP) — The Japanese have failed in several attempts to recapture the Arawe Peninsula on the southwest coast of New Britain, and U.S. troops still hold all of their main positions.

Sixth Army soldiers who stormed Arawe last Dec. 15 are firmly entrenched in all of the three-mile-long peninsula, the adjacent islands and a small part of the inland area.

A colonel who returned from Arawe this week said "the Japs are only 100 yards from our lines and we can fight there any time we want it."

The Tokyo radio broadcast claims Thursday that the Japanese had recaptured Arawe. The assertion was denied by a spokesman at headquarters.

Since the first Japanese retreat under heavy fire by U.S. sea, air and ground units, the enemy has infiltrated back down the Pule River from the north and made several attempts to retake the peninsula. But U.S. forces, digging in, have withstood heavy night bombing raids and ground attacks.

To Command Air School

MONTREAL (CP) — Wing Cmdr. V. P. Cronyn of London, Ont., has been appointed officer commanding the new No. 4 air-crew graduates training school for non-commissioned officers which will open at Valleyfield, Que., Jan. 17, it was announced here.

Want Tax Exemption

VANCOUVER (CP) — University of British Columbia students at a meeting here decided to ask the federal government to provide tax exemption for students above the present tax-free amount in order to cover tuition fees.

Canada's Honor Roll

KILLED
British Columbia Regiment
Grant, Douglas, Colburn, Lieut., Montreal.
Quebec Regiment
Kerwin, Ernest, Pte., Thetford Mines, Que.
DIED OF WOUNDS
Central Ontario Regiment
Veana, Howard Leo, Fus., North Bay, Ont.
Manitoba Regiment
Biswasi, Walter Jack, Pte., St. George's, Man.
Royal Canadian Army Service Corps
Jay, John Frederick, Cpl., Windsor, Ont.
Canadian Forces Corps
Craib, Thomas, Cpl., Winnipeg.
Non-Commissioned Units
Marlin, Chester Allen, Tpr., Montreal.
DANGEROUSLY WOUNDED
Central Ontario Regiment
Donaldson, George Eric, Pte., Timmins, Ont.
Forster, Frederick Bernard, Pte., Ottawa, Ont.
Thomas, Tpr., St. George's, Man.
SERIOUSLY WOUNDED
Canadian Forces Corps
Forsythe, Malcolm, Tpr., Kewaskong, N.B.
Guirey, Vincent Francis, Tpr., Ottawa, Ont.
Royal Canadian Artillery
Gill, Randolph, Gun., St. Catharines, Ont.
Central Ontario Regiment
Lynch, William James Joseph, Pte., Kitchener, Ont.
Eastern Ontario Regiment
Merry, Nelson James, CEM., Crystal Beach, Ont.
Alberta Regiment
Locken, John, Pte., Bearberry, Alta.
WOUNDED
Canadian Forces Corps
Hisey, Edin, Artillery, Tpr., Stouffville, Ont.
Phillips, John Thomas, Tpr., Toronto, Ont.
Stafford, John Frederick, Tpr., Toronto, Ont.
Royal Canadian Engineers
Bullman, Orville Charles, Sqr., Ottawa, Ont.
Bursaux, Peter Michael, Sqr., Calgary, Alberta.
Branson, William, Sqr., Britannia Bay, Ont.
Duchene, Ernest, Sqr., Etana, Ont.
Fidler, George Frederick, Sqr., Pembroke, Ont.
Gardner, John Albert, Sqr., Sutherland, Sask.
King, David Joseph, Sqr., Piner, Man.
Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps
Macdonald, Andrew Melville, Sqr., Ottawa, Ont.
Hartley, Harry, Sqr., Ottawa, Ont.
Morrison, Earl Douglas, Sqr., Ottawa, Ont.
Mellick, Oscar Lloyd, A-Sgt., Thetford, Ont.
Pruner, James Ruben, Sqr., Inverman, Ont.
Sheepwash, Frank Rufus, Sqr., Nelson, Que.
Stones, Fred, A-Sgt., Montreal, Que.
Budd, Wilfred Alexander, Sqr., Leamington, Ont.
Infantry
Croft, Edward Ellis, Sqr., Halifax, N.S.
Duncan, William, Pte., London, Ont.
Western Ontario Regiment
Axeil, Arnold Aaron, Cpl., Glasgow, Scotland.
Bishop, Jesse C., Pte., Chatham, Ont.
Bittell, James, Pte., Wigan, Lancs., Eng.
Boswell, John, Pte., Wigan, Lancs., Eng.
Burdett, John, A-Cpl., London, Ont.
Crawford, Russell Andrew, Pte., Woodville, Ont.
Dalla, John Nicholas, Pte., Altonville, Ont.
Giffin, Joseph Anthony, Pte., Port Hope, Ont.
Hartnell, Earl Ray, Pte., St. Thomas, Ont.
Hewitt, Frederick, Pte., St. Thomas, Ont.
Dwyer, Ont.
Holliday, Robert Roy, Pte., Chatham, Ont.
Kuhn, Francis Marcel, L-Cpl., St. Thomas, Ont.
McAllister, William, Pte., Toronto, Ont.
MacDougall, Walter Douglas, Pte., Toronto, Ont.
McDonald, Charles James, L-Cpl., Windsor, Ont.
Mason, Glen Arthur, Pte., Windsor, Ont.
Mitchell, Alexander Ted, Pte., Altonville, Ont.
Murray, John William, Pte., Stratford, Ont.
Netherford, George, L-Cpl., St. Catharines, Ont.
Smith, Walter George, Pte., Montreal, Que.
Todd, Thomas Ross, L-Cpl., Inverness, Ont.
Van Wieren, Robert Henry, Pte., Chicago, Ill.
Watkins, Victor Edwin, Pte., London, Ont.
Williams, William James, Pte., Kitchener, Ont.
Central Ontario Regiment
Beck, Douglas, Pte., Toronto, Ont.

KILLED
Blencowe, James Frederick, Pte., Toronto, Ont.
Branson, James L., Sqr., Remton, Dumfriesshire, Scotland.
Himm, Herbert Martin, Pte., Hamilton, Ont.
Carp, George, Pte., Toronto, Ont.
Copeland, Harold Francis, A-L-Cpl., Toronto, Ont.
Butt, Charles Lauri, Pte., Alliston, Ont.
Hoskiss, Roderick Frank, Pte., Toronto, Ont.
Kostuk, Arthur Lewis, Pte., Niagara Falls, Ont.
Morris, Edward Henry, Pte., Beauséjour, Man.
Palmer, Charles, Pte., Toronto, Ont.
Hennie, Kenneth Herbert, Pte., Kirkcaldy, Scotland.
Robinson, George, Pte., Toronto, Ont.
Rocke, Joseph John, Pte., Toronto, Ont.
Smith, George, Pte., Alexander, Man.
Therrell, Vernon Clarence, Pte., Sudbury, Ont.
Treadwell, Lenard, Pte., Toronto, Ont.
Weller, Allen Kendall, Pte., Toronto, Ont.
White, Robert William, Cpl., Toronto, Ont.
Quebec Regiment
Morrin, Hughes Allan, Pte., Montreal, Que.
Russell, Ernest, Pte., Montreal, Que.
Whitely, Donald Keith, Pte., Trenton, Ont.
Ontario Regiment
Lapointe, Conrad, Pte., Eastman, Que.
New Brunswick Regiment
Blanchette, Ralph, Pte., Campbellton, N.B.
Manitoba Regiment
Thomson, George Henry, Pte., Neelin, Man.
British Columbia Regiment
Forsyth, Donald Allan, Pte., Ottawa, Alberta Regiment
Machey, Marcus Eugene Victor, Pte., Chilliwack, B.C.
WOUNDED, REMAINING ON DUTY
Royal Canadian Engineers
Brooks, William John, Sqr., Amherst, N.S.
Western Ontario Regiment
Correll, Donald George James, Pte., Stratford, Ont.
Evans, Herbert Morris, Pte., London, Ont.
Central Ontario Regiment
Evens, Thomas Henry, Pte., Weston, Ont.
Glasgow, John Joseph Alexander Patrick, Pte., Toronto, Ont.
Jardine, Irvin, A-L-Cpl., Toronto, Ont.
Eastern Ontario Regiment
Bassett, Elmer Frank, Pte., Belleville, Ont.
Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps
Corbett, Robert Reginald, Pte., Toronto, Ont.
Finn, William, Pte., Police Corps, B.C.
DANGEROUSLY ILL
Canadian Forces Corps
Clover, Marvin James, Tpr., Dalhousie, N.S.
Manitoba Regiment
Pratt, Wallace Everett, Rmm., Westdale, Man.
Royal Canadian Army Service Corps
Doherty, Gerald Patrick, Pte., Montreal, Que.
SERIOUSLY ILL
Royal Canadian Artillery
Kashum, Charles Frederick, Gun., Carleton Place, Ont.
Wood, Anthony John, A-L-Sgt., Hamilton, Ont.
Royal Canadian Corps of Signals
Drouillard, Theodore Ernest, Sigm., Toronto, Ont.
Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps
Gardner, John Joseph Alexander Patrick, Pte., Toronto, Ont.

R.C.A.F.
KILLED
Book, Archibald Neville, PO., Valleyfield, Man.
Macrus, John Joseph, PO., Montreal, Que.
McIntyre, Alexander Russell, PO., Dryden, Ont.
Taylor, Charles William, FS., Yarmouth, N.S.
Wright, Donald Lorimer, WO., Saskatoon, Sask.
MISSING
Batherson, Douglas Randolph, Pte., Edmonton, Alta.
PRISONER OF WAR, GERMANY
Hickes, Raymond Edwin, Pte., Semans, Sask.
Wicker, Charles Merrill, PO., Regina, Sask.
DANGEROUSLY ILL
De Beck, Frederick Albert, Sgt., Victoria, B.C.
DIED FROM NATURAL CAUSES
Simmons, Walter Howe, LAC., Riversdale, N.S.
DIED OF INJURIES
MacLean, Isaac Murray, St. Edmondton, Can.
CANADIAN IN R.A.F., OVERSEAS
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Scholes, John Francis, Pte., Toronto, Ont.

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**Heavy Fighting
For Bosnian Railway**

LONDON (CP) — Fierce fighting for control of the strategic Banja Luka-Zagreb railway in central Bosnia continued today, as German forces increased their pressure on Yugoslav Partisans attacking in the 25-mile sector between Banja Luka and Prijedor.

The communique of Marshal Josip Broz (Tito), broadcast by the Free Yugoslav radio, said the Partisans shot down two Nazi bombers near the town of Bugojno.

Near Brod, a rail centre 50 miles northeast of Banja Luka, the Partisans were said to have destroyed an enemy troop train, killing 45 German soldiers and capturing 85.

The battle for Novo Mesto, Slovenian city 50 miles west of Zagreb, was still raging, with no appreciable advantage reported for either side.

In Hercegovina, to the south, Partisans repelled an enemy assault at Stolac and seized a lead mine producing 800 tons a year. Yugoslav sources in London said the Germans, in their drive south from Banja Luka, were apparently attempting to breach Partisan defences in the Dinaric Alps toward the Adriatic and

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Canada's Empty Spaces

LEADERS OF THOUGHT IN CANADA are taking advantage of almost every opportunity to emphasize this country's need of postwar immigration. There seems to be general agreement that we must have more people if we are to fulfill our national destiny. There is disagreement, however, as to what kind of immigrants we should encourage or admit. Our last great wave of immigration before World War I was largely directed to settling the prairies. Urban immigration has been somewhat discouraged on the theory that we are predominantly an agricultural country—the "breadbasket of the world." Will this hold true after the war? Can we count on the agricultural areas absorbing the new population we agree we must have for our future national well-being?

The most recent authoritative document on the subject was the survey, "Prairie Population Possibilities," published as part of the report of the Royal Commission on Dominion-Provincial Relations, 1940. This seemed to explode the notion that there are still immense areas of fertile land in the west awaiting settlement. The survey concluded that in the absence of such unpredictable factors as the discovery of new mineral resources, a revolution in farm techniques and a profound change in the character of external markets, the area could not absorb any substantial number of immigrants and, indeed, might find a continuing difficulty about absorbing its own natural increase.

The Economist of London now comes forward with a new and encouraging view of the possibilities of immigration into Canada and of sustaining many more people. It declares that it is quite possible that Canada's population will materially increase as a result of factors quite different from the availability of virgin farm land in the Dominion. "After all," it says, "it is urban population, not rural, which Canada needs to move towards a more balanced and stable economy. Agricultural surpluses have been a great blessing recently, but before the war they were a grave problem and may become so again."

This view is supported by Minister of Munitions Howe, who recently pointed out that in the last four years Canada has undergone an industrial transformation, which, in normal circumstances, could not have taken place in less than 25 years. The development of our water power, for one thing, has been so accelerated that in 1944, 10,000,000 horsepower will be harnessed. Though there may be little basis at present for the theory that Canada's agricultural fringes on northern frontiers will support a large influx of farm people, it is possible in the face of today's indications to visualize opportunities for numerous artisans, scientists, executives, clerks and other immigrants attracted by Canada's new industrial developments in urban areas. Thus, Canada's wide-open, empty spaces for newcomers in the next decade may well be in the cities, with the smaller centres rivaling the larger because of the increasing availability of power and the trend of industry towards decentralization. All of which means new domestic markets for agriculture's products.

Pro-Axis Argentina

WHEN ARGENTINA CHANGED HER government by a miniature revolution last June, Mr. Cordell Hull, our neighbor's Secretary of State, recognized the new administration in the belief that it would be less pro-Axis than its predecessor. The Ramirez regime at Buenos Aires, however, seems to have grown more totalitarian as its European models begin to totter to their inevitable fall. Its latest assault on what remained of Argentinian liberty is an edict which throttles the press and prevents intelligent and truthful discussion of public affairs. What effect this procedure will have on the populace must remain in the realm of conjecture; it may offend its pride, since some of the world's finest newspapers are produced in this important Latin American republic. The decree also applies to foreign correspondents who, henceforward, may not send out "anything contrary to the general interest of the nation," anything contrary to Christian morals or morality, anything that disturbs the good relations that Argentina maintains with friendly countries and any news that is totally or partly false or misleading.

If this injunction means anything at all—and it does—it means that foreign correspondents may not transmit anything of which the Ramirez government does not approve, and which the Premier and his colleagues feel would be offensive to the men of Berlin and Tokyo. It is small wonder, therefore, that Mr. Hull is making haste slowly to recognize the new government of Bolivia—which, incidentally, has announced itself as pro-Ally, but also pro-Anti-Axis. How it can be both is far from clear. Nor is the American Secretary of State inclined to be stampeded into any recommendation of economic sanctions against Argentina in retaliation for her government's extraordinary attitude toward Washington and London and the member states of the Pan-American Union. And he will naturally require to know a great deal more than he does at present about Bolivia's reasons for suddenly becoming pro-Anti-Axis if her recent revolt was not inspired by enemy influences, either from within or without.

The application of economic sanctions to the Argentine, of course, is not a policy to which the United States government would become a party unless in co-operation with Britain, Canada and the rest of the Latin American states, either belonging to the United Nations or committed to their assistance. Certain vital war materials and food are being supplied in large quantities by Argentina. It may be that some of these commodities could be dispensed with without seriously impairing the Allied war effort. But economic action against the enemy's Latin American friend obviously would have to be determined by its possible effect on victory. The Ramirez government is neither blind nor deaf to this important consideration. On the other hand, however, the men in control at Buenos Aires are evidently ignoring the long-term perspective; sooner or later, their friends in Berlin and Tokyo will go the way of Mussolini. What then?

Taking G.O.P. Temperature
REPUBLICAN COMMITTEEMEN IN session in Chicago at the beginning of this week treated themselves to a miniature poll to test internal sentiment toward the Presidential Nomination Stakes to be run next June. The result must have been a cold douche for the "Stop Willkie" brigade, of little comfort to the supporters of Ohio's Governor John W. Bricker, and less than encouraging to the officials of the "General MacArthur-for-President-Club." The full committee is composed of 106 members; 95 were represented at the meeting—76 in person and 19 by proxies—while the poll revealed that 23 were still open-minded on the subject. This is how the votes went: Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York, 21; Wendell Willkie, 21; Governor John W. Bricker of Ohio, 5; Lt.-Cmdr. Harold E. Starnes of New York, 2; Governor Dwight H. Green of Illinois, 2; Governor Earl Warren of California, 2; Gen. Douglas MacArthur, 1; Dewey or Willkie, 1. Many of the National Committee members, of course, will be delegates to the nominating convention; but the selection of the nominee will rest with the full assembly of 1,059 accredited representatives. Whether Governor Dewey will stick to his oft-repeated decision to serve out his gubernatorial term, or, if he does, whether the "Stop Willkie" elements will drum up sufficient support in favor of drafting the unsuccessful 1940 candidate's rival, only the clear at this stage whether relations between the New York executive and Mr. Willkie are less strained than they were during the contest for the governorship in 1942. Although on that occasion the feud was not of the open or vocal variety, the Republican leader's antipathy to the Dewey political philosophy was reflected in those intangible ways best known to partisan strategists.

The general consensus in respect of Gen. MacArthur is that the famous soldier's self-appointed high command intends to propose his nomination on the basis of the general's military magic, as one observer puts it, rather than on his undisclosed political views. Senator Arthur Vandenberg, however, who is described as chief of staff of the "MacArthur-for-President-Club," obviously feels that no ordinary campaign would fit the occasion, but that only a dynamic groundswell could persuade the Republican convention to nominate his candidate. And he says that "until he (MacArthur) says he won't run, I assume that he will." The Allied commander-in-chief in the South Pacific still seems to be saying: "Let's get on with the war." Meanwhile, Mr. Willkie is trading punches with his bitterest opponents within the party machine—composed of stalwarts who have less love for him than they have for Mr. Roosevelt.

A Fine Citizen Passes
THROUGHOUT THIS COMMUNITY AND in many other parts of Vancouver Island Mrs. Margaret Leighton McMeeking was affectionately known for her good works and her lively interest in all aspects of the kaleidoscopic drama of these stirring times. Apart from her sterling personal qualities, her progressive outlook and her human sympathies, she brought to bear on her numerous activities an understanding and practical mind. The various women's organizations with which she was associated found in her an indefatigable worker; problems in her concept of community service merely constituted a challenge to ingenuity and imagination. Her constant companion in the long evening of her life was the sound philosophy which accounted for a buoyant spirit that kept her mentally young until she was within nodding distance of the century mark. She will long be remembered for her possession of all the attributes of good citizenship. Her passing serves to remind us that Victoria has profited by her having lived here.

Notes

Has Stalin, by his latest pact, Czech-mated Germany?
A total of 39.4 per cent of the electors voted in Toronto's civic election on Jan. 1 and the commentators consider the percentage high. It is, compared with the percentages of the two previous years—19.9 and 20.2—but we still do not see very much in it, creditable to the voters. It means that six out of 10 voters in Toronto still preferred to stay at home and neglect one of their primary civic duties.

Loose Ends

'MY EARTHLY MISSION FULFILLED'

Among the personal belongings of a young R.A.F. pilot in a bomber squadron, who was recently reported "Missing, believed killed," was a letter to his mother—to be sent to her if he were killed, writes a correspondent to the London Times.

"This letter was perhaps the most amazing one I have ever read: simple and direct in its wording, but splendid and uplifting in its outlook," says the young officer's station commander. "It was inevitable that I should read it—in fact, he must have intended this, for it was left open in order that I might be certain that no prohibited information was disclosed."

"I sent the letter to the bereaved mother, and asked her whether I might publish it anonymously, as I feel its contents may bring comfort to other mothers, and that every one in our country may feel proud to read of the sentiments which support 'an average airman' in the execution of his present arduous duties. I have received the mother's permission, and I hope this letter may be read by the greatest possible number of our countrymen at home and abroad."

DEAREST MOTHER: Though I feel no premonition at all, events are moving rapidly, and I have instructed that this letter be forwarded to you should I fail to return from one of the raids which we shall shortly be called upon to undertake. You must hope on for a month, but at the end of that time you must accept the fact that I have handed my task over to the extremely capable hands of my comrades of the Royal Air Force, as so many splendid fellows have already done.

First, it will comfort you to know that my role in this war has been of the greatest importance. Our patrols far out over the North Sea have helped to keep the trade routes clear for our convoys and supply ships, and on one occasion our information was instrumental in saving the lives of the men in a crippled lighthouse relief ship. Though it will be difficult for you, you will be disappointed if you do not at least try to accept the facts dispassionately, for I shall have done my duty to the utmost of my ability. No man can do more, and no one calling himself a man could do less.

I have always admired your amazing courage in the face of continual setbacks; in the way you have given me as good an education and background as anyone in the country; and always kept up appearances without ever losing faith in the future. My death would not mean that your struggle has been in vain. Far from it. It means that your sacrifice is as great as mine. Those who serve England must expect nothing from her; we debate ourselves if we regard our country as merely a place in which to eat and sleep.

HISTORY RESOUNDS with illustrious names who have given all, yet their sacrifice has resulted in the British Empire, where there is a measure of peace, justice and freedom for all, and where a higher standard of civilization has evolved, and is still evolving, than anywhere else. But this is not only concerning our own land. Today we are faced with the greatest organized challenge to Christianity and civilization that the world has ever seen, and I count myself lucky and honored to be the right age and fully trained to throw my full weight into the scale. For this I have to thank you. Yet there is more work for you to do. The home front will still have to stand united for years after the war is won. For all that can be said against it, I still maintain that this war is a very good thing; every individual is having the chance to give and dare all for his principle like the martyrs of old. However long time may be, one thing can never be altered—I shall have lived and died an Englishman. Nothing else matters one jot, nor can anything ever change it.

You must not grieve for me, for if you really believe in religion and all that it entails that would be hypocrisy. I have no fear of death; only a queer elation. . . . I would have it no other way. The universe is so vast and so ageless that the life of one man can only be justified by the measure of his sacrifice. We are sent to this world to acquire a personality and a character to take with us that can never be taken from us. Those who just eat and sleep, prosper and procreate, are no better than animals, if all their lives they are at peace.

FIRMLY and absolutely believe that evil things are sent into the world to try us; they are sent deliberately by our Creator to test our mettle because He knows what is good for us. The Bible is full of cases where the easy way out has been discarded for moral principles.

I count myself fortunate in that I have seen the whole country and know men of every calling. But with the final test of war I consider my character fully developed. Thus at my early age my earthly mission is already fulfilled, and I am prepared to die with just one regret, and one only—that I could not devote myself to making your declining years more happy by being with you; but you will live in peace and freedom and I shall have directly contributed to that, so here again my life will not have been in vain.

Your loving son,

GEMS OF THOUGHT—"LEND A HAND"

"Give what you have. To some one it may be better than you dare to think."—Longfellow.

"They who scatter with one hand, gather with two, not always in coin, but in kind. Nothing multiplies so much as kindness."—John Wray.

"Goodness and benevolence never tire. They maintain themselves and others and never stop from exhaustion."—Mary Baker Eddy.

"Everywhere you endeavor to be useful, everywhere you will be at home."—Goethe. Lend a hand! Do not think that because yours is small, Or because from its fingers no riches may fall, It was meant you should render no succor at all.—J. Walcott.

Too many cooks don't spoil the broth any more. They don't stay long enough.



BACK TO 1917—Russia has offered Poland the eastern frontier that an imperial committee of international experts recommended as the proper boundary on Dec. 8, 1919. It is the "Curzon Line," named from the British foreign minister of that time. It follows the "ethnographical frontier," that is, the line marking the easterly limit of the territories in which people of Polish racial stock are in a majority. It starts from the southerly tip of triangular-shaped Lithuania, runs south to Grodno, thence southwesterly to Bialystok, then to Brest-Litovsk, on the Bug River; then south along the river to near Sokol, and finally southwest past Przemyśl to the Carpathian mountains and the Czechoslovakian border.

CBC's 'Boarding House' Reach

From MacLean's Magazine
Paper rationing and other wartime restrictions affecting the publishing industry have curtailed advertising in magazines and newspapers and in other ways halted their expansion for the duration. Direct mail and similar forms of advertising have been so drastically reduced by government order that certain businesses are going to find it tough to function.
Results of these restrictions lie in with the government's desire to lessen the demand for consumer goods, and as part of the national anti-inflation policy the objective generally is regarded as sound; has been accepted with good grace and in the spirit of co-operation.
It is all the more amazing, then, that the government should have tolerated the action of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation in establishing a second national network.
In spite of CBC's explanations, the basic fact is that at a time when competing advertising media are restricted under government policy, the nationally owned radio system is expanding its chain and advertising facilities.
Commercial operations of CBC have far exceeded the limit originally set. On Feb. 3, 1938, the chairman of its governors stated, "Beyond the figure of \$500,000 (per year) of commercial revenue from network and local stations it is not the desire nor the intention of the corporation to go, and that only until we are self-supporting from other sources."
On Feb. 8, 1938, Hon. C. D. Howe, then Minister of Transport with CBC in his field, told the House of Commons, "It is not the desire or intention of the cor-

poration at any time to obtain a revenue of over \$500,000 from commercial sources for obvious reasons."

The latest CBC report shows its gross commercial revenues to be around \$1,800,000.

From the public CBC exacts a license fee. It pays no taxes, as do those with whom it competes. It has soared far beyond the advertising revenue bracket so that it is now in the category of the government's declared policy of curtailment of advertising and ordinary business expansion.

The feeling is growing—in more than one connection—that CBC is ignoring the standards of a democratic public utility. It's about time Parliament straightened things out.

DIGGON-HIBBEN LTD
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Hundreds of titles, many now out of print. Practically new, some never been opened. Here's a real Book Bargain that you mustn't miss.

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SPENCER'S FOODS

SATURDAY VALUES
Cash and Carry

Bacon, No. 1 Side Sliced, 1/2 lb.	18c	Picnics, 6 lbs.; per lb.	31c
Cottage Cheese, per lb.	11c	Wiens, 1s, dozen	25c
Silverleaf Lard, 1s, at	15c	Pullets, 31c	

MEATS—AS CUT IN CASE
COMMERCIAL RED BRAND BEEF

COMMERCIAL RED BRAND BEEF			
SUPER VALUES—9 to 10 a.m.			
Blade Roasts	Shoulder Steak	Shoulders	Pork
Per	Per	Per	
lb. 18c	lb. 19c	lb. 18c	

Cross Rib Roasts, Per lb.	23c	Rolls Ribs, Inside cut, per lb.	39c	Rolls Ribs, Outside cut, lb.	29c
Shoulders Mutton, Per lb.	15c	Legs Mutton, Per lb.	27c	Mutton Chops, Per lb.	25c
Roasting Chickens, Per lb.	38c	Butts Pork, Meaty, per lb.	25c	Pork Steaks, Per lb.	26c
Minced Beef, Per lb.	20c	Beef Sausage, Per lb.	14c	Legs Pork, Foot off, per lb.	29c

2¢ a lb. off Cash and Carry Meats (Super Values Excepted) Between 9 and 10 a.m.

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SERVICE MEATS		
Legs Lamb	Shoulders Lamb	Pork Sausage
Per lb. 43c	Per lb. 25c	Per lb. 25c
Round Steak	Shoulder Steak	Round Steak
Per lb. 35c	Per lb. 21c	Minced, per lb. 35c

We Reserve the Right to Limit Quantities

THIS WAR—FOUR YEARS AGO
Jan. 14, 1940—Viscount Gort and Maj.-Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton announced complete agreement on "unity of command" as Canadian commander completed visit to French front. Belgium ordered almost mobilization and Netherlands canceled all army leaves.

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DR. THOMAS' ELECTRIC OIL

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Try Cuticura for the prompt relief of unsightly, blotchy pimples; Cuticura promptly helps clear up.

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Scientifically medicated. Used by many nurses. Buy at your nearest druggist today! Made in Canada.

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ADVERTISE IN THE TIMES

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Step up the flavour of any drink—keep it lively to the last sip. Its pin-point carbonation, its absolute purity make Canada Dry's Sparkling Water the finest of all mixers.

IT'S ALKALINE
Special ingredients give it a definitely alkaline reaction.

IT'S VITALIZED
Pin-point carbonation gives it that million-bubble sparkle.

IT LIVENS FLAVOUR
It points up flavour—makes any drink taste better.

3 CONVENIENT SIZES

CANADA DRY'S Sparkling Water

THE WORLD'S LARGEST SELLING CLUB SODA

CANADA DRY'S SPARKLING WATER

Amateur Gardener

By E. L. F.

THIS IS THE SEASON of the seed catalogue, when amateur gardeners sit before the fire and with more enthusiasm than common sense, make out long seed lists that include all the beautiful vegetables they see in the colored pages.

Make out these lists if you wish—there's a lot of fun in doing it—but please don't mail them until you have considered from every angle, the best way to get full value out of the garden. If your space is small, then it is wise to concentrate on vegetables that give the greatest food value. On a bigger piece of ground there is room for a wider variety of vegetables and with a really large garden one can include not only the every day vegetables but many of the so-called luxury crops.

ROOT VEGETABLES HIGH IN FOOD VALUES

For bulk crops with the highest food value, root vegetables are the best. Potatoes, carrots, parsnips, onions and beets should find a place in both large and small gardens. The cabbage family, too, is high in food value and with careful selection and planting a succession of different varieties of these healthy greens can be grown all year round. For instance, Brussels sprouts, savoy, heading and sprouting broccolis and kale will follow early potatoes, peas or broad beans. Spring cabbage goes in after the second crop of potatoes and summer cabbage and cauliflower where your late winter leeks have come out.

Salad greens should also be included in every garden. Radishes, lettuce and small onions can all be grown between rows of larger crops. While cress, endive and chicory have a place in the bigger garden plan.

There is not much room for runner beans and tall peas in a small garden unless there are walls and fences where they can be grown easily. On the other hand, dwarf peas and beans are very important for they are rich in proteins.

NEED ROOM

Whether you include celery, marrows, squash, artichokes, turnips, or even tomatoes in your plans depends on the size of your garden space. All these crops occupy a good deal of room, and though they are valuable in their own way, they should not be included if it means crowding out the more every day vegetables which give you food the year through.

Have a good crop of leeks this season? They may now be showing the effects of weather and need a little attention to keep them in good shape. Spend an hour some day soon, clipping off bad leaf ends and straightening up listing plants so bits of wet earth can not get into the growing points. Then work up the soil between the rows with a hoe. If you see a spear-shaped growth in the centre of the leek, nip it off at once. This is a young flower stem and if you let it grow the plant will soon get tough to eat.

Did you cut out the heart of your curly kale when you first started using it? Then you should be getting a good crop of side shoots by now that will prolong the season of this vegetable several more weeks. Help these new shoots along by forking the earth a foot deep around the plants and working in a dressing of powdered lime (two ounces to a square yard). It will sweeten the soil and liberate a lot of good plant food that is still in the ground.

Wm. Keast Dies

NANAIMO—Resident of the Chase River district for the last 51 years, William J. Keast, 82, a retired miner, died at his family residence.

Surviving are his wife, Sarah E.; five sons, John of Chase River, William of Vancouver, Thomas of California, Joseph of Victoria, and Richard of Chalmers; five daughters, Mrs. T. Shaw, Mrs. S. Roy, Mrs. J. Ralston and Mrs. J. Carruthers of Chase River district, and Mrs. J. Davis of Ladysmith; fifteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren in this province.

Rev. G. Knox will officiate at the funeral service Monday at 2.30 in the Jenkins Chapel.

Mrs. Ann Weeks Dies

NANAIMO—Born in England but resident of Nanaimo for 61 years, Mrs. Ann Weeks, widow of John Weeks, died Thursday. Her survivors include her four sons, Thomas H. of Vancouver, Edward of Nanaimo, Garfield of Duncan, and Harry of Chase.

NEW YORK (AP)—A total of 804 members of the New York city police department were retired Thursday by the police pension fund board. Police Commissioner Lewis J. Valentine said he had attempted unsuccessfully to persuade the officers to remain at their posts because of a manpower shortage.

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Now on display in the Men's Clothing Section in greater assortment than we have offered for a considerable time. A generous choice of latest styles and fabrics, including tweeds of a fine grade, wool flannels, worsteds and cords. . . . Pants suitable for wearing with sport coat or for matching an odd coat and vest.

PANTS of finest pure-wool tweeds. Herringbone weaves and shades of blue, grey, green, brown and fawn, some with stripe effects. These have cuff bottoms, five pockets and belt loops. 4⁹⁵

Waist sizes 29 to 46, leg lengths to 34.

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A pair.

PURE WOOL FLANNELS—A domestic flannel but very reliable, and suitable for sports wear. Waist sizes 29 to 46. 6⁹⁵

PANTS OF "GARNEX" ENGLISH FLANNEL — A high-grade material of medium dark grey. All Pants smartly tailored. Sizes 29 to 46 waist. 7⁹⁵

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STURDY OVERCOATS FOR YOUTHS—Of good grade overcoatings, made with halmacasa collar or in guards model; double-breasted, half-belted style. Herringbone weaves of plain shade cloth. Sizes 32 to 37. 11⁹⁵

OVERCOATS for small boys, of navy blue frieze. Double-breasted, with half belt. For 3 to 6 years. 4⁹⁵

BOYS' OVERCOATS in dressy, warm materials. They are well lined; single-breasted beltless style. Sizes 24 to 28. 7⁹⁵

BOYS' SUITS in 3-button coat style, pants with belt loops and cuffs. Brown, blue and grey. Sizes 27 to 34. 5⁰⁰

MACKINAW COATS—Double-breasted with full belt. Flaid or plain material of navy blue shade. Substantial Coats for winter. Sizes 24 to 34. 6⁹⁵

BOYS' SNOW SUITS with Helmet to match. Brown, navy or red. For 3 to 6 years. Special, each. 4⁵⁰

BOYS' OVERALL PANTS—Long type, with belt loops and cuffs. For 6 to 18 years. A pair. 1¹⁹

SHIRTS—Sizes 12 to 14½. Made from good grade broadcloths with neat stripe patterns. 6⁹⁵

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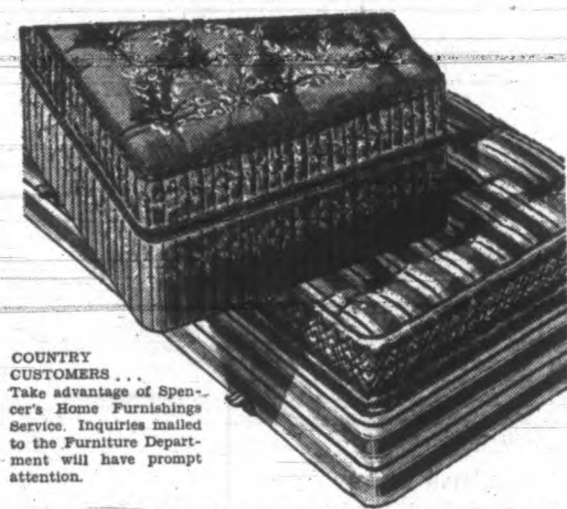
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ADVERTISE IN THE TIMES

Belmont Red Cross

COLWOOD — A total of \$1,261.47 was raised during 1943, it was reported to the annual meeting of the Belmont Unit, Red Cross Society.

The committee headed by Sir Heaton Robinson and including Mrs. P. N. Welch, secretary, and W. E. Stevenson, secretary, was re-elected.

IF NOSE CLOGS UP TONIGHT

Put 3 drops of Vicks Vapo-Rol in each nostril. It (1) shrinks swollen membranes, (2) soothes irritation, (3) relieves transient nasal congestion, and brings greater breathing comfort. Follow the complete directions in folder.

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New PIN STRIPE SUITS

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(Adv. CC-6)

Colfax Rebekahs Install Officers At Annual Meeting

A large attendance of members in the I.O.O.F. Hall witnessed the installation of the officers of Colfax Rebekah Lodge by Mrs. H. Graham, district deputy president, assisted by Mrs. M. Fleming as marshal, and deputy officers Mrs. M. Taylor, warden; Mrs. M. Combe, recording secretary; Mrs. E. McCabe, financial secretary; Mrs. M. Silver, musician; Mrs. M. Penman, chaplain; Mrs. B. Taylor, outside guard; Miss B. Johnson, inside guard.

Executive officers installed were: Noble grand, Mrs. L. Molyneux, escort, A. McCabe, P.G.M. grand representative; vice-grand, Mrs. E. Cave, escort, F. B. Shaver, P.G.P., P.G.R.; recording secretary, Mrs. G. S. Somerville, escort, J. Wilby, P.G.; financial secretary, Mrs. E. Baron, P.N.G.; escort, W. Dinsmore, treasurer, Miss D. Stocken, P.N.G., escort, S. Pomeroy, P.G. Appointed officers installed were: Mrs. E. Roberts, warden; Mrs. E. Blackburn, P.N.G., conductor; Mrs. D. Johnson, chaplain; S. Pomeroy, musician; Mrs. S. Bainbridge, P.N.G., R.S.N.G.; Mrs. D. Lineham, L.S.N.G.; Mrs. M. Fleming, P.N.G., R.S.V.G.; Mrs. E. Brown, L.S.V.G.; Mrs. M. McAuley, inside guard; Mrs. E. Restell, outside guard.

Officers' reports showed membership of 161, cash surplus over \$200; donations had been made to Provincial Orphanage, Solarium, sick visiting committees and United War Effort.

Following installation, the retiring Noble Grand, Mrs. Alice Passmore, presented gifts to Mrs. M. Penman, retiring secretary, and to Mrs. M. Dinsmore, retiring staff captain. Mrs. H. Graham, presented Mrs. Passmore with her past noble grand jewel, and Mrs. Molyneux presented the gift from officers and staff of last term.

Next meeting will be Jan. 25, entertainment in charge of the district deputy, when observance of the birthday anniversary of Thomas Wilby, founder of the I.O.O.F., will be held.

Air Services W.A. Elects Officers

At the annual meeting of the W.A. to the Air Services Thursday afternoon at the Y.W.C.A., Mrs. W. E. Poupore was elected president, supported by the following executive: First vice-president, Mrs. L. W. Campbell; second vice-president, Mrs. E. L. MacLeod; secretary, Mrs. P. A. Vatcher; treasurer, Mrs. A. R. Minnis; press, Mrs. Cyril Jones.

During the year, the auxiliary has completed 268 knitted articles and 119 sewn garments for the Red Cross. Magazines sent to stations and to Kildonan House amounted to 2,017.

Isolated R.C.A.F. stations and R.C.A.F. personnel overseas have received continuous comforts from the auxiliary. It was reported that visits to the military hospitals and Jubilee Hospital have been made once a week by Mrs. G. A. Bennett and Miss M. Mackenzie-Grieve, when flowers, candy and magazines were distributed to air force patients. On Christmas Day special visits were made with presents from the organization.

Girl Guide Notes

West District — The following officers were elected at the annual meeting held Thursday evening: President, Mrs. G. Phillips; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. D. MacKenzie; badge convener, Mrs. Porritt; committee, Mrs. T. M. Knox and Miss Pike. Reports by guides showed various kinds of war work being done; a Victory garden by James Bay Company, and many proficiency badges earned during the year.

Install New Officers

New officers installed at a meeting of Centennial W.M.S. were: President, Mrs. M. E. Hubbard; vice-president, Mrs. Cox; secretary, Mrs. W. B. Bennett; treasurer, Mrs. H. B. Harris; Christian stewardship and finance, Mrs. G. G. Henderson; missionary monthly, Mrs. MacLennan; temperance, Mrs. Hopkins; supply, Mrs. Harbridge; associate helpers, Mrs. Peat; literature, Mrs. Wilkinson; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Bonfoy; community friendship, Mrs. Cox; mite box, Mrs. Harris; press, Mrs. J. D. Wilson.

Mrs. P. E. Corby presided at a meeting of Dr. O. M. Jones Chapter, I.O.D.E., when the war convener announced that 27 articles of knitted comforts were donated to the services in December, also 12 ditty bags valued \$3.50. Knitting tea receipts amounted to \$11.30. Mrs. Corby was nominated for national councillor. Arrangements were made for the annual meeting to be held Feb. 19, Mrs. H. A. Stuart, convener. Next knitting meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Fred Spencer, 685 Beach Drive, Thursday at 2.

Cwacs Entertain in London



—Canadian Army Photo.

Personal Notes

Mrs. Herbert Fullerton has returned to her home in Vancouver after visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charles Watson.

Miss Marcia Prior has left for her annual visit to Banff, where she will remain for the next month.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Wilson, Ripon Road, have as their guests Mrs. H. F. Fullerton of Vancouver.

Mrs. C. Bossoms with her little son Peter, Vancouver, are visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. A. Merrick, at their home.

Mrs. E. C. Stewart and Mrs. M. Armstrong were joint hostesses with a miscellaneous shower at the home of the latter, 3016 Jutland Road, to honor Mrs. A. V. Connelly, the former Maud Beattie. Those present were: Mesdames T. Beattie, E. C. Stewart, M. Armstrong, W. J. Coxford, Bryce Patterson, G. Ashman, M. Butt, J. L. Jeffreys, W. Dempster, C. Fallas, J. Flood, A. Johnson, E. J. Brown, R. Backus, L. Harney, N. Wilson, C. R. Keays, C. H. Roberts, F. Appleby, M. Beattie, and Miss H. Kennedy. A Stevenson, K. Patterson, E. B. Armstrong, Pat Beattie, Carol Beattie, Patricia Gail Flood, E. B. Grieron, and Master Neil Armstrong.

Jubilee W.A. Plans Tea and Shower

Final arrangements for a combined bridge tea and linen shower to be held Feb. 4 in the Nurses' Home at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, were made by the committee of the affair, being sponsored by the W.A. to the hospital.

Mrs. H. A. Patterson is general convener of the bridge tea, with Mesdames John Phethean and H. P. Rutter in charge of bridge reservations.

Miss M. I. Curry, linen convener, announced that in view of the scarcity of linen, there will be a silver bowl for cash donations by those unable to obtain any linen. Mesdames C. D. Pfender and H. G. S. Heisterman are in charge of the baby stall. Mesdames G. Harris and K. Mackenzie-Grieve are in charge of teas.

Proceeds from this affair will be used to buy linen for the hospital as well as furnishings, equipment and supplies for the new maternity wing.

Y.P.S. Activities

Belmont—Those taking part in a debate at the last meeting were Joyce Andrews, Joyce Bailey, Jim Thompson and Roy Hurdley. Judges were Mrs. M. Naim, Rev. H. H. Kerley and H. E. S. Moore. President Eric Moore will lead the sing-song during the program arranged for Sunday evening.

Metropolitan—Meeting opened with a worship service led by Miss Bette Marr and Harold Squire with Miss Dorothy Griffith as accompanist. Election of officers was conducted by Dick Johnson, resulting as follows: Honorary president, Dr. A. E. Whitehouse; president, Miss Ella Marr; vice-president, Ted Ayiffe; secretary, Miss Bette Marr; treasurer, Miss Dorothy Griffith; fellowship, Miss Jean Adams; citizenship, Dick Johnson; missions, Miss Grace Adams; culture, Miss Mary Neilson, and recreation, Miss Beth Walker. Piano solos were given by Ted Ayiffe and a discussion on the citizenship project was under the direction of Dick Johnson. Bowling will be held Friday at 7 at the Arcade, Fort and Broad, and the next meeting will be Tuesday at 8 at the church.

P.T.A. News

Gordon Head — will meet in Gordon Head School, Tuesday, at 3.15.

Despite Increase, Demands for Nurses Still Cannot Be Met

An increase of 1,800 student nurses is shown in enrollments at schools of nursing across Canada since the outbreak of war, yet many demands for nurses still cannot be met, Miss Marion Lindeburgh, president of the Canadian Nurses' Association, has stated.

National registration of nurses, held in March, 1943, revealed that while 20 per cent more nurses are now employed in hospitals throughout Canada than in 1939, the demands for nursing service in civilian hospitals have exceeded this increase.

"To meet growing demands for nursing service has been one of the challenges offered to the Canadian Nurses Association since the outbreak of war," declared Miss Lindeburgh.

This year the Canadian Nurses Association has made loans totaling \$4,800 to assist nurses in preparing themselves as teachers, supervisors, administrators and public health nurses and for other special fields.

Miss Lindeburgh expressed the opinion that both the stabilization of nursing service and recruitment of nurses are affected by salaries, hours of duty and living conditions. She spoke with satisfaction of the trends towards more satisfactory adjustments that are being effected.

Nurses are actively studying health insurance with the intention of preparing themselves to meet the demands of nursing that will inevitably play an important part in any health insurance plan.

WITH THE FORCES

Approximately 2,000 nurses are serving the Armed Forces and have signified their willingness to answer further calls.

C.N.A. has appointed a committee to study postwar reconstruction and the part nurses must play in this.

A limited number of nurses, the wives of men in the Armed Forces, and those whose families reside in Britain, are being permitted to enroll with the British Civil Nursing Reserve. Approximately 36 nurses have been accepted to date for this service.

At the outbreak of war the C.N.A. established a fund to assist nurses in Great Britain and elsewhere in the British Empire who suffer material losses through enemy action.

A hopeful sign of renewing contacts with other countries through the International Council of Nurses is seen in the reappointment of Miss Anna Schwarzenberg as executive secretary of the international organization, the headquarters of which are now New Haven, Conn.

Sooke W.I. Dance

At a meeting of Sooke and North Sooke W.I., Mrs. K. Cains presiding, the committee appointed for the February dance included Mesdames A. Wilson, M. Gale, G. Duncan, G. Pimlott, W. Orchard and C. Crawford. Conveners for 1944 are: Public health and child welfare, Mrs. Wilson; education and better schools, Mrs. Gale; for North Sooke, Mrs. O. Frederickson; agriculture, Mrs. J. Forrest; sick visiting, Mrs. Cains. The institute will finance the cost of improving conditions in the girls' washroom at Sooke School. A donation of \$17 was voted to the Othea Scott Fund. February annual membership drive and social evening will be at the home of Mrs. Gray. Mrs. Gale and Mrs. DeRoche are in charge of entertainment.

Esquimalt W.I.

Esquimalt W.I. held their annual meeting, Mrs. A. Mossop presiding, when receipts for the year were reported as \$336.32. Red Cross work accomplished was 232 sewn garments and 18 knitted articles. Donation of \$5 was voted to the B.C. Protestant Orphanage and a membership was taken out for the Navy League. Election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. E. Garrett; first vice-president, Mrs. M. McDuff; second vice-president, Mrs. M. Nicol; secretary, Mrs. H. Wise; treasurer, Mrs. N. Kelly; director, Mrs. A. Mossop; home economics, Mrs. Wise; better schools, Mrs. E. Hicks; community betterment, Mrs. McDuff; ways and means, Mesdames Garrett, Kelly and T. Bradley; sick visiting, Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. K. Sandler. Evening meetings will be resumed on the second Friday of each month.

ESQUIMALT COMMUNITY CLUB

It was reported at a meeting of the Esquimalt Community Club that \$55 was realized from the turkey drive. Mrs. R. McVie presided. Mrs. A. Draper stated 12 sick visits had been made during December. A carriage party will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. McVie Jan. 26 at 8. Next meeting will be Feb. 7.

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King's Daughters Hold Annual Session

Six circles of Victoria District King's daughters assembling in annual session elected Mrs. A. M. Perry president; Mrs. T. D. Roberts, vice-president; Mrs. C. F. Lawrence, secretary; Mrs. P. Sharp, treasurer; Mrs. M. A. Osterhout, rooms treasurer; Mrs. C. Edwards and Mrs. C. F. Lawrence, provincial executive.

Reports showed the King's Daughters Rooms, Jones Building, had been open 302 days during the past year and the girls attending numbered 20,919.

Organizations assisted by donations of cash or articles from the circles named Ministering, Ready-to-Help, Speedwell, and Fellowship included V.O.N. (gifts of nightgowns), B.C. Protestant Orphanage, W.C.T.U. Ida Street Home (gift of flannelette), Mt. St. Mary's (where two patients received extra comforts, and a wheel chair), Y.W.C.A. Travelers' Aid; Old Age Pensioners, Aid to Russia (money and clothing), Navy League (ditty bags), Red Cross, King's Daughters' Hospital, Duncan, British Relief (laundry and toys), Dominion Air Ambulance, soldiers' overseas local welfare work, Y.M.C.A.—dormitories, also can- teen work, Salvation Army, magazines sent to R.C.A.F. station, British Bundles (60 articles), Solarium (toys and scrapbooks), 12 Navy neckties to the Navy, Seamen's Institute, adopted child at the Orphanage, Y.M.C.A. canteen work at Macaulay Hut, Overseas League (20 articles).

W.A. to Britannia Branch, Canadian Legion, held a card social Thursday evening, with cribbage and court whist being played.

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Today's Crossword Puzzle

HORIZONTAL

1. Pictured actor
2. Excitement of surprise
3. Card game
4. Dried
5. Fish
6. Miss
7. Girl's name
8. Prevention
9. Dance step
10. Italian river
11. Affirmative
12. Either
13. Elms
14. Mchali
15. Cuvit
16. Toward
17. Judaea's street
18. Poem
19. He is appearing—Broadway
20. Proceed
21. Weather
22. Good (fr.)
23. Varnish ingred.
24. Any
25. In like manner
26. Mineral rock
27. Crows old
28. He acts on the
29. Transgression
30. Is able
31. Goria
32. Salt (abbr.)
33. Chief
34. Pencil
35. Vertical
36. Possesses
37. Unit of electrical resistance
38. Friend
39. Decay
40. Perform
41. Layman
42. Irritation
43. Born
44. Grately
45. Plane surface
46. 12 months
47. Type measure
48. Symbol for radium
49. International language
50. Left end (abbr.)
51. Horshack game
52. Dry
53. Biological pronoun
54. Stop!
55. Therefore
56. Gaseous substance
57. Pass down
58. Trifling (abbr.)
59. Trail as em
60. Zircon
61. Serpent
62. Defeat
63. Melody
64. Like
65. Is a land
66. Pile
67. Trifling (full)
68. Abstract being
69. Health resort
70. Six
71. Repeating organ
72. Africa (abbr.)

(Answer to previous puzzle)

ANSWERS

1. Yes
2. No
3. Yes
4. In bouillon cups
5. Yes
6. Better "What Would You Do?" solution—(a) as the child is likely to feel disappointed if what he offers is refused.

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4. Is the soup at a luncheon served in soup plates or in bouillon cups?
5. If you are living in a temporary home and do not have your silver and china with you, should you try to make up by the excellence of the food you serve for the lack of a lovely table setting?

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City's Fire Loss Last Year Increased 500% Over 1942

Victoria's 1943 fire loss totaled \$94,652—more than five times the 1942 loss, Alex Munroe, Victoria fire department chief, announced today in his annual review of activities for the mayor and City Council.

The loss, the highest in several years, was skyrocketed by four major fires at the Selkirk Lumber Co. Ltd., where damage was \$27,455, Oxford House apartments, \$15,438; Fletcher Bros. (Victoria) Ltd., \$10,000, and Monday's shoe store, \$12,457.

In 1942 the fire loss in the city was \$17,928, in 1941, \$68,134; 1940, \$13,582, and 1939, \$68,072.

Property actual at risk during fires in 1942 was valued at \$2,647,112. The department during the year answered 712 calls.

James Barclay, who was found dead near his burning cabin on the Industrial Reserve Nov. 20, was the only person killed in Victoria by fire in 1942.

The fire department inhalator crew responded to five calls during the year. In answer to one call five men were rescued from gas fumes. The department also revived one man from drowning. Two other persons failed to respond and died of drowning, while one other person, suffering from coal gas poisoning, did not recover despite the efforts of the inhalator crew.

71 FALSE ALARMS

Other statistics about fires were given as follows: There were 92 fires with loss, 159 chimneys, 169 grass and bush fires, 71 false alarms. Firemen were engaged in actual firefighting operations more than 574 hours, raised 7,806 feet of ladders at fires and laid 109,123 feet of hose at fires, apparatus traveled 11,112 miles.

Personnel of the department at the end of the year totaled 91 officers and men, the chief said, noting there had been many changes during the year, a result of war conditions. Seventeen men were taken on during 1943 on a temporary basis. One officer was retired on superannuation and one man was granted leave to join the R.C.A.F.

Sickness resulted in 262 man days being lost. During the year, 3,562 drills were carried out, three men suffered minor injuries which kept them from their duties.

"Fire prevention being paramount in our endeavor to keep down fire loss and thus remove important hazards of possible loss of lives," the chief said, "we have made every effort to further this most important work; this is all the more important today due to the housing shortage wherein many buildings are very congested and constitute a hazard to life as well as fire, principally due to extra cooking, heating and other substandard appliances in use."

During the year the department issued four permits for installing gasoline equipment, two for oil-burning equipment and granted 6,782 permits to burn rubbish.

The fire-alarm system continued to give good service, Chief Munroe said, although work of

replacing the 15 miles of overhead iron wire with copper wire was proceeding, three miles of copper wire already having been installed.

"I would further point out that there are a number of street boxes of the weight type which have been in service for many years and should be replaced gradually with modern type boxes," he said.

RADIO GREAT HELP

Two-way radio equipment in one service truck, the chief's and deputy chief's cars, gave good service and was a great help to the department, he said.

Free from accidents and requiring no major repairs, fire department apparatus gave good service, he said, and all pumps had been tested twice during the year and all hose tested for 200 pounds pressure.

"I would like at this time to mention the great improvement in the service in this district and trust it will be continued," the chief said in connection with the opening of a temporary fire hall in James Bay district at 461 Superior Street. He recommended this hall be maintained until a permanent building could be erected.

The temporary James Bay fire hall was opened May 22 through negotiations by the board of fire wardens and financial support of the provincial government, Canadian Pacific Railway, Victoria Machinery Depot and B.A. Paint Co. The present arrangement is for the duration of the war only.

Other buildings, he said, were at the time of the fire hall negotiations by the board of fire wardens and financial support of the provincial government, Canadian Pacific Railway, Victoria Machinery Depot and B.A. Paint Co. The present arrangement is for the duration of the war only.

AUXILIARY FIREMEN

There are 60 auxiliary firemen. "It is a problem to retain the interest in this work, in consequence of which I have found it necessary to discontinue the auxiliary company at the High School through lack of volunteers thereby reducing the number of companies in all districts to 12," he said.

Two 500-gallon trailer pumps, each with 300 feet of hose, were acquired by the auxiliary fire service during 1942. The chief said they would be a great help to the service if the occasion arose.

Most Accidents Occur On Streets In Late Afternoon

Most dangerous time for motor car accidents is between 4 and 5 in the afternoon, says the annual report for 1942 of the provincial police, just released by Attorney-General R. L. Maitland.

This is the most dangerous hour because there are, of course, more cars on the streets; people are becoming tired as they start home from work; in the winter it is the hour approaching dusk when visibility is the worst.

The provincial police have also learned, from their statistics, that Saturday is the chief day for motor car accidents.

In 1942 there was a total of 129,666 motor vehicle licenses issued in this province, a decrease of 2,472, as compared with 1941.

Since that time the number of private cars on the roads has further decreased, because of gas rationing and tire shortages.

In 1942 there were 49,388 cars in Vancouver; 24,659 in Victoria; 17,798 in New Westminster; 3,384 in Nanaimo, and 2,362 in Duncan.

At Dec. 31, 1942, strength of the provincial police was 14 officers and 424 noncommissioned officers and men, exclusive of special constables, junior clerks and stenographers. During that year 45 left the force and 76 were taken on strength. Seventeen of those who left joined the armed forces.

In policing 42 municipalities, provincial police traveled 3,185,884 miles by railway, automobile, launch, horse, and on foot, and 157 automotive units were operated. Twenty-two motor launches and boats were utilized.

The criminal investigation branch made 199,331 investigations,

Enough to Feed All If Sense Used—De La Warr

Postwar agriculture has the potential supply to meet the potential demand for foodstuffs, Lord De La Warr, chairman of the Agricultural Research Council of Great Britain, told a crowded luncheon gathering of Canadian Club and Rotary Club members, as well as delegates from farmers' institutes throughout B.C., in the Empress Hotel Thursday.

"The question is, have we the sense to cross out the word 'potential' and write in 'actual'?" he said.

Dark, youthful-looking and rich in humor, the distinguished Briton paid a glowing tribute to the Canadians by whom he has been literally surrounded in his Sussex home for the last four years.

"They came," he said, "at a time when, according to the wireless, we were down and out. . . . While everybody thought we were beaten, we did not think we were beaten. Whether we were too damn silly to see it or not I can't say."

He warned of bloody and terrible months ahead and called for the same fortitude which had been shown in the Battle of Britain, which was to have been the prelude of invasion and consequently would be ranked as one of the great battles of history.

Lord De La Warr traced the difficulties of British farmers in 1940, who rose in the morning to find fields ready for harvest torn and ditched to prevent tank progress and plane landings. It was hard, he said, to convince the farmers then of the importance of their work.

But the farmers rallied, expanding their area of cultivation to a point beyond their belief in possibility.

BIGGEST SINGLE INDUSTRY

Dealing specifically with his subject, he declared agriculture still Britain's largest single industry, stated British agriculture was larger in annual value than any one dominion, reported wheat production per acre three times that of the United States and production per man three times that of Germany. He further stated the British system is the most industrialized in the world at present.

During the war, he said, some implements and fertilizers had been sent to Britain at the expense of farmers in Canada.

"We could not have got along without them," he said.

Those fertilizers and tractors, he said, had been rationed on a basis of the applicants' ability to produce.

Starting with 12,500,000 acres of arable land before the war, Britain had expanded the area to 18,500,000 acres.

To the women's institutes of western Canada he paid tribute for leadership in providing an army of 80,000 girls in the British Women's Land Army.

Agriculture in Britain had been placed under the most drastic control of any industry in the country, but was run almost entirely by farmers. Those who could not increase production had been dismissed. But for every man turned out, he said, 10 to 15 have been helped to farm more efficiently.

The system has worked to such a degree farmers admit something of a similar character will have to follow in the peace, Lord De La Warr said.

Farming, he continued, "is a long-term show," with a program which must be drawn over a period of three or four years.

POSTWAR POLICY

The first task before agriculture after the war would be to produce sufficient to save Europe from starvation. After that would have to come the implementation of the freedom from want cited in the Atlantic Charter.

"When we talked of gluts of foodstuffs before the war, we were talking a lot of rubbish," he declared, referring to the hundreds of millions in need of more food, even in countries with so-called high living standards.

Future agricultural activity must be organized, Lord De La Warr said. The old idea of free trade, he said, meant a regulated market in favor of the merchant rather than the producer and consumer.

The need for a regulated market had been recognized, he said, but not in the light of the pre-war interpretation.

"We can't just let things rip," he said in answer to the suggestion the old system be re-established. That system had been tried before the war and the people "are not foolish enough to return to it," he said.

"We are not thinking in terms of narrow British agriculture," he said, stating the only hope in Britain for a national agricultural policy lay in a world food policy.

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Now I have started to go one night each week to the movies alone, and my husband keeps the night out, as he says that he prefers to stay at home with me. This makes me feel so selfish. Please tell me what you think?

RUTH T.

Answer:—Why, I think, Ruth, that it is your bounden duty to go out and get a little relaxation and change and let your taut nerves relax, and to get something new and fresh and pleasant to think about as you go about your daily duties. You owe that much to your good husband and your baby, because a woman who is so nervous that she is irritable and cross is a very unpleasant person to have to live with.

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W.A. to Pro Patria Branch, Canadian Legion, election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. W. P. Trace; first vice-president, Mrs. Carter; second vice-president, Mrs. Renfrew; secretary, Mrs. D. Muir; treasurer, Mrs. A. Gornall; ways and means committee, Mrs. Moon, Miss Hinkley and Mrs. Beavan. Court whist will be played in the hall Monday evening under the co-sponsorship of Mrs. Moon.

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20 Nazi Centres Fully Bombed Out, 50 Others On Way

WASHINGTON (AP) — Air Marshal Sir Richard Hailam Peck of the R.A.F. reported Thursday that 20 of Germany's biggest industrial cities have been crippled for a long period by the Allied air offensive and that about 50 more centres are "well on their way" to destruction.

At the same time Lt. Gen. Carl A. Spaatz, commander of the U.S. strategic bombing force, Western Front, said the British-Canadian-U.S. aerial assault "knocked out an estimated 40 per cent of Germany's planned fighter production in the latter part of 1943." The disclosure indicated the Anglo-American air command is making substantial progress toward its current goal of wrecking the German air force. Spaatz and Peck made their report on the progress of the air war in a trans-Atlantic press conference in which they were interviewed "somewhere in Great Britain" by three Washington reporters at the National Press club here. The exchange was broadcast over the Blue Network and the BBC.

Peck described as something which "will forever remain a matter of opinion" the question of whether air power alone would knock Germany out of the war without the opening of a second front.

"We must remember," he said, "that the strategy of the United Nations has been a combined, all-arms strategy, and that we are not set out to win by air warfare alone." He added that "even if a second front were not opened, the air would not have won alone because of the great Russian offensive and the joint air and naval victory over the U-boats in 1943."

Spaatz did not amplify his report on the destruction of German fighter plane production facilities, but Peck said "there are no strategic targets in Germany that we cannot and will not reach."

115 Fliers Strafe Jap Posts in China

CHUNGKING (AP) — U.S. medium and fighter bombers ranged over much of Japanese-occupied China Monday, it was announced today, attacking enemy rail and river communications and shooting down one Japanese plane and one probable and damaging three others.

The communique added that Tuesday all three of a force of Japanese bombers that attempted to bomb a forward base were shot down with no American losses.

Two U.S. planes failed to return from Monday's operations, which also saw the destruction of three Japanese river tankers, two launches and other river craft in the Yangtze.

The communique also said U.S. planes had bombed Taiwan on the western shore of Formosa, Japan's big island colony 90 miles off the coast of China. This raid had been announced previously.

Other raids against Bangkok in Thailand and Japanese shipping in the Yangtze river in China were disclosed.

Today Mitchell bombers struck at four ships, of about 800 or 900 tons, near Fort Bayard, in Japanese-occupied French territory on the Kwangchow peninsula. One of the vessels blew up and the other three were damaged. The fort's warehouses, cavalry barracks and radio station also were attacked.

E. Savannah Tells Lions of Plastics

Possibilities of the production of raw plastic material, in conjunction with pulp mills, already flourishing in British Columbia, were described by Edward Savannah, professor of Chemistry at Victoria College, in a luncheon address to the Lions Club in David Spencer's dining-room, Thursday.

"Some types of plastics can be more economically produced in the east, but we can do a great deal with the pulpwood here," Mr. Savannah said as he spoke of the manufacture of plastic impregnated plywood, which would be stronger than steel plates of the same weight, in addition to being impervious to water and chemical or bacterial action.

He felt that if B.C. had a steel mill, it could be operated with great economy in conjunction with a plastic industry here. Raw cellulose, produced at very little added expense by existing pulp mills, could be turned into a number of articles on the Pacific coast, he said.

Plastics, according to Mr. Savannah, are now being used as a waterproof paint base both in Vancouver and Victoria. J. E. Fuller, president, introduced the speaker.

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Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

HOCKEY cycle is complete. Navy team has joined the Army and R.C.A.F. clubs on the sidelines as far as Allan Cup competition is concerned. Although no announcement has been made from Ottawa regarding the other navy club in Canada it is a foregone conclusion the same policy will be adopted as that governing the club playing in our Coast League. After army and air force teams had been instructed to drop from cup competition it was hardly possible the navy representatives would participate in the national playoffs. However, unlike the army and air force, the navy team in the coast circuit will complete its regular schedule.

Since the withdrawal of army and air force teams from hockey leagues throughout the country there has been a great deal of discussion among the fans in an attempt to discover the reason. They have wondered just who is to blame for the blow-up.

Charlie Edwards, well-known Canadian Press sports columnist, gives a pretty good round-up of

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Schooyboys Will Be Recruited For Pro Ball League

NEW YORK (AP)—Baseball's lower class minors, planning a limited expansion in 1944, may have the answer to player shortage in the use of schoolboys and part time defence workers.

A class E league, the Twin Ports, operating around Duluth, Minn., and Superior, Wis., plans to go to the barrier on a twice-a-week schedule, a \$250 monthly salary roof and talent recruited from local defence plants and school rooms.

Joe Donnelly, former president of the Ohio State League, already has reorganized his circuit to enter the class D field along with the Pony and Appalachian, only 1943 finishers.

According to Donnelly there is no reason why several new D or E leagues should not start this year. The Ohio president says, "They can open their seasons after school lets out and employ youngsters who will not be called in the draft, closing their schedules about a week before school starts in the fall. Those kids will hustle their heads off."

TWO GAMES A WEEK.
Last year the Twin Ports League, the first E loop in history, failed to gain desired concessions and couldn't make a go of it. By slicing the salary limit and cutting play to two games a week, F. H. Wade, who served as president in 1943, thinks that the circuit will be able to operate successfully.

"The boys and men who played last year have jobs and can't play more than twice a week," said Wade. "They don't require or expect much money. Salary means nothing to most of them. They want to play for the love of the game and for the recreation."

Minor Hockey
Games scheduled over the weekend in the Victoria Minor Hockey Association follow:
SATURDAY
7.15 a.m.—Midgets: Royals vs. Senators.
8 a.m.—Bantams: Royals vs. Senators.
8.45 a.m.—Bantams: Maroons vs. Capitals.
SUNDAY
6 p.m.—Midgets: Maroons vs. Capitals.
6.45 p.m.—Juveniles: Royals vs. Capitals.
MONDAY
10.15 p.m.—Juveniles: Maroons vs. Senators.

League Leaders
Although 11 goals were scored in two National Hockey League games last night only change in the high-scoring list was Doug Bentley, Chicago, who got three assists when Hawks defeated Rangers 5 to 2, to take sixth place from Toronto's Gus Bodnar.

Buddy O'Connor, Canadiens, failed to collect any points in the Montreal-Detroit 2 to 2 draw and was forced out of the big seven. He was formerly in a seventh-place tie with Bentley.

Watson Suspended
MONTREAL (CP)—Acting president Red Dutton of the National Hockey League announced today the indefinite suspension of Phil Watson, Canadiens centre, for his "alleged striking of linesman Jim Primeau during the Toronto Jan. 11 game."

Watson exchanged blows with linesman Primeau during the third period of the game, which was marked by the first season's shutout against Canadiens.

In Hockey Battle Tonight



CONNIE KING
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PETE LESWICK
Three clever forwards who will see action when Victoria Machinery Depot and New Westminster C.P.A.L. Lodestars clash this evening at the Willows Arena in a Coast League hockey engagement. King has proven one of the smartest centres in the circuit at the pivot position on the number one line of the shipyarders, while Evers has scored a lot of goals from his left wing berth. Pete Leswick is the top scoring forward of the New Westminster squad. Referee Hank Wilson will get the clubs away at 8.30.

Sea Hawks Defeat Navy 2 to 1

Victoria Navy hockey squad returned to town today after suffering a 2 to 1 setback by R.C.A.F. Sea Hawks before 5,000 howling fans in an exhibition game at Vancouver last night. It marked the last appearance of the Navy team.

League play will resume at the Willows Arena tonight as the Victoria Machinery Depot act as hosts to New Westminster C.P.A.L. Lodestars. Play will start at 8.30. Following their game here the two teams will return to the Royal City for a repeat performance tomorrow night. Monday evening at the local rink the V.M.D. and Navy will hook up.

In the first period both the Navy and the airmen were locked in a close battle without either team being able to outplay the other. During the period Air Vice-Marshal L. Severson, officer commanding Western Air Command of the R.C.A.F., suffered an ear cut when hit by a flying puck.

Murdo McKay assisted by Strongman and Russell opened the scoring in the second period by sending a goal sailing into the Sea Hawks net at 6.15.

Sea Hawks pressed for the equalizer and had four quick close-in shots on Chuck Rayner, Navy's outstanding goalie.

PLAY FAST
But Rayner was too good for the airmen and not one of their shots passed his stick. During the rest of the period the teams showed Vancouverites the fastest hockey they had seen this season.

In the third period, airmen crashed their first goal of the game past Rayner at 8.05. Tony Licari scoring on an assist from Ed Shamlock. Then at 15.20, Jack Adams on a play from John Quilty fired the winning goal. Finally with only 23 seconds to go, Navy pulled Rayner and used six forwards, but the move failed to produce the tying goal.

SUMMARY
First period—No scoring. Penalty: Tomson.
Second period—1, Navy, McKay (Strongman, Russell), 6.15. No penalties.
Third period—2, R.C.A.F., Licari (Shamlock), 8.05; 3, R.C.A.F., Adams (Quilty), 15.20. Penalty: McArthur.

Hockey Here Tonight

Nelson, McSpaden Rule Favorites In \$10,000 Golf

Two mastery sub-par practice rounds, Byron Nelson of Toledo, O., was favored in the 72-hole, four-day \$10,000 San Francisco Victory open golf tournament starting today. The medal event will end Monday.

Nelson's favored role placed him only a shade, however, ahead of his partner in a recent exhibition match tour to stimulate the sale of war bonds, Harold (Jug) McSpaden of Philadelphia. McSpaden won the 72-hole Los Angeles open last Monday with a 278, 10 under par.

In the Los Angeles event, Nelson tied for third place at 283 with Craig Wood, national open champion, and Leonard Dodson, Kansas City—back of John Bullis, Chicago, who had 281.

The long, flat Harding Park public links appeared made to order for Nelson, who banged out a 33-33-66 over the par 36-36-72 course. He followed this with a second practice round of 69. McSpaden tacked up a 72 and a 70 in practice sessions.

Other contenders include Jimmy Hines of New York, Olin Dutra of Los Angeles and Sam Byrd, the former New York Yankees baseball player.

Ontario Senior Ice League Carries On

TORONTO (CP)—The senior "A" group of the Ontario Hockey Association, carrying on despite loss of Toronto R.C.A.F. and Kingston Army Frontenacs through military service ruling. Kingston issued its fourth revised schedule of the season.

The three remaining teams—Toronto Navy, Hamilton Majors and St. Catharines Saints—will play a total of 18 games to Feb. 28, when the two leading teams will meet for the senior "A" championship.

INDUCT HAUGHEY

BROOKLYN, N.Y. (AP)—Chris Haughey, who, as a 17-year old Long Island High School student, pitched a game for Brooklyn Dodgers late in the season, received notice Thursday to report for induction Jan. 25. Haughey, recently turned 18, is a right-handed thrower.

Hollett's Goal Gives Detroit Hockey Tie

New Defenceman In Rugby Final
Robs Canadiens Of Hockey Win

Reports from Detroit that manager Jack Adams negotiated the "deal of the century" in trading Pat Egan to Boston Bruins for William (Flash) Hollett can't be discounted entirely, however partisan the source.

Hollett appeared in the Detroit lineup last night—long enough to score an unassisted goal which gave Red Wings a 2 to 2 deadlock against Montreal Canadiens for their first point in seven games on Montreal ice this season. The split in points left Canadiens undefeated in 15 games at home, 13 of which were victories.

At New York, Chicago Black Hawks stopped the talented Rangers 5 to 2 before 13,493 fans to keep pace with Detroit, who hold a two-point margin over Hawks for fourth place in the National Hockey League standings.

Bill Mosenko and Doug Bentley, striving to reach the top in the individual scoring race, while Bill Cowley is recovering from a shoulder injury, combined for three of the first four goals as Chicago ended a six-game losing streak while extending New York's string of defeats to the same length. Bentley set up the plays and Mosenko supplied the finishing touch on all three.

Summary:
CANADIENS—DETROIT
First period—1, Montreal, Lach (Blake, Richard), 2.55. Penalties: Gettiffe, Harmon.
Second period—2, Montreal, Richard (Lach, Blake), 2.03; 3, Detroit, Reay (unassisted), 8.02. Penalties: Jackson (2).
Third period—4, Detroit, Hollett (unassisted), 9.27. Penalties: Bouchard, Simon.

CHICAGO—RANGERS
First period—1, Chicago, Mosenko (Bentley), 12.56. No penalties.
Second period—2, Chicago, Gottselig, 4.03; 3, Chicago, Mosenko (Bentley, Smith), 8.43; 4, Chicago, Mosenko (Bentley, Smith), 9.15; 5, New York, D'Amore (De Marco, Jamieson), 12.58. Penalty: D'Amore.
Third period—6, Chicago, Dahlstrom (Gottselig, Purpur), 6.05; 7, New York, Dill (Mahaffy, J. McDonald), 6.29. No penalties.

Racing Results
HIALEAH PARK—Horse racing results here Thursday follow:
First race—Five and a half furlongs: Fast 12 (Pineau)—\$4.00 \$2.50 \$1.50; Sun Gino (Campbell)—4.70 2.40; Rangon (Bertram)—2.80.
Time 1.21. Also ran: Snow Fly; Lord Bart; Day Dodger; Bustling Nancy; Air Spruce; Amber Knight; Quest; War Signe.
Second race—Six furlongs: Air Supremacy (Atkinson)—\$4.00 \$2.50 \$1.50; Scotch Pledge (Adams)—3.00 2.20; Veldina Infant (Parker)—4.50 \$2.50 \$1.50; Time 1.19 2-3. Also ran: Earl; Van Rango; Betty's Best; Old Liff; Darryl; Masked Rider; New Flame; Jamoke.
Third race—Six furlongs: Ringway (Kadi)—\$8.20 \$5.10 \$4.20; General War (Snider)—6.30 4.00; Arty Girl (Stiles)—6.00 4.00; Time 1.15 1-3. Also ran: Colgate; Chedoke; Sugar Ace; Under; Good Rob; Lady Eli; Safety Match; Duro; Jous.
Fourth race—Seven furlongs: Green Bush (Claggett)—\$5.00 \$2.50 \$1.50; Shamokin (Atkinson)—4.40 2.70; Don Miller (Morrissey)—2.40.
Time 1.28 1-3. Also ran: Celtic; Piper; Anna Aglin.
Fifth race—Five and a half furlongs: Zaca Rose (Richards)—\$8.20 \$4.00 \$2.50; Bruleuse (Claggett)—6.00 2.80; Silvestra (Permaine)—2.50.
Time 1.26. Also ran: Weatherlic; Valda; Marl; Bobbe; Whimble; Nahl; Glor.
Sixth race—Mile and a sixteenth: Blue Bash (Smith)—\$22.00 \$8.00 \$4.20; Five Slick (Atkinson)—10.00 5.00; Caravotta (Trotti)—4.60.
Time 1.34. Also ran: Aloray; Dandy Jim; Merodach; Picany.
Seventh race—Mile and an eighth: Imprenable (Nodary)—\$25.00 \$10.00 \$5.70; Eight Shoes (Atkinson)—3.00 2.50; Quirta (Richards)—2.00.
Time 1.53 1-3. Also ran: Rose Red; Tacoma; Squadron.
Eighth race—Mile and an eighth: Barney's Girl (Adams)—\$11.00 \$3.50 \$2.00; Pamphlet (McMullen)—10.00 5.00; Mohave (Permaine)—6.00.
Time 1.54 1-3. Also ran: Colgate; Ore; Matador; Barlman; Neddie; Lasa; Arabeque; Lady Callet; Lady Orchid; Pictur; Flag; Red Rocket.

R.A.F. Meets V.M.D. In Soccer Feature
Soccer fans are looking forward to one of the best games of the season tomorrow afternoon when R.A.F. and Victoria Machinery Depot clash at Athletic Park, starting at 2.30.

British airmen won the first half championship, suffering only one defeat and they are out to repeat their success in the second portion of the league.

Manager Jock McCall has had the V.M.D. boys out to stiff works today for a week and is hoping for a victory over the Pat Bay outfit.

Teams will be selected from the following players:
R.A.F.—Cooke, Witham, Bradlock, Boulter, Hardwick, Lowe, Brumby, Winduss, Richman, Cox and Davidson. Reserves: Brodie, Dunphy and Ross.
V.M.D.—Evans, Slogar, McGeech, Leggett, Mills, Travis, Dugan, Barnswell, Robbins, Parks, Stewart, Perry, French, Reside, Payne and Morgan.

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By Jimmy Hatlo

ON THE RUSSIAN FRONT ACTIVITY TODAY CENTERED AROUND BABOOSCHKA, RAIL JUNCT 34.5 MILES TO THE SOUTHEAST OF CZERCHYSK. RUSSIAN CAVALRY CAPTURED VIETSKY AND PZITSKY—IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC TWO JAP CRUISERS WERE SUNK IN KOKOROPOCK HARBOR.

No Definite Action By Pro Grid League

CHICAGO (AP)—After deliberating for 20 hours while seekers of franchises paced the outer vestibule like expectant fathers, the United States National Football League concluded its annual midwinter meeting Thursday by taking this definite action:

Franchise applications from Buffalo, N.Y.; Los Angeles, Calif., and San Francisco were tabled until the league's annual business parley in April in Philadelphia.

The league decided to retain the \$25,000 application deposit put down by a group of five Buffalo businessmen, indicating that the city still is being seriously considered as an operating member in 1944.

However, the \$25,000 peeled off by both Los Angeles and San Francisco interests was returned, with the explanation that "the league does not wish to tie up this sum of money until after the war." The applications, however, still are eligible to be received at the April meeting.

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Roosevelt turned back to the United States treasury \$1,950 of his \$75,000 salary in 1943 under his order limiting salaries after taxes to \$25,000 a year.

This is disclosed in the budget bureau's table of receipts for the fiscal year 1943, sent to Congress Thursday.

Mr. Roosevelt is the only government employee whose salary was large enough to be affected by the order.

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L. W. Campbell Dies
 QUEBEC (CP)—L. W. Campbell, 56, prominent Quebec businessman and sportsman died in New York from a heart attack it was reported in a message received here. He was vice-president of the Montmorency Paper Company, an affiliate of the Anglo-Canadian Pulp and Paper Company.

J. F. Mitchell Dies
 TORONTO (CP)—John Fothergill Mitchell, 66, prominent broker and vice-president of the Short-horn Breeders' Association, is dead here. He had been in ill health for several years. Born in Milton, Ont., for some years he was engaged in mining in Alberta and the real estate business in British Columbia. He came to Toronto 15 years ago.

Allies Advancing Along Burma Coast

NEW DELHI (AP)—Allied troops, continuing their push down the western coast of Burma toward the Japanese base at Akyab, have advanced to a point four miles below captured Maungdaw, Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten's headquarters announced today.

Capture of Maungdaw, 55 miles northwest of Akyab, was announced by the Allied commander for southeast Asia Tuesday.

Today's announcement said advanced elements of the Allied forces had occupied the villages of Kanyidaw and Dilpara, one mile and four miles respectively southeast of Maungdaw.

The advance is continuing slowly, the bulletin said, with the Japanese counterattacking and holding to strong points along the western foothills of the Mayu range. Allied positions have been pushed forward to the east side of the range itself.

Uncle Ray

Negroes Looked Exactly Alike, But Fingerprints Differed

The case of "William West and Will West" has made very plain that fingerprints are better than the old Bertillon system in proving "who is who" among criminals.

Bertillon, a French police officer, worked out a system of photographs for criminals. His system also called for the head, nose and chin to be measured.

That system worked well in many cases, and it still holds a place in the war against crime. Yet it has been known to fail.

Will West, a negro, was taken to the prison at Leavenworth, Kansas, in 1908. The record clerk was sure he had seen him before. "No," said Will West. "I never have been here before."

From the files, the clerk took a card marked "William West." The photograph showed a man who looked just like the new



EXPERTS COMPARE THE FINGERPRINTS OF SUSPECT WITH THOSE CLASSIFIED IN THE RECORDS.

prisoner. The measurements of nose, chin and head were the same. Yet it was found that they really were two different persons.

William West had been put in the Leavenworth prison in 1901, and was serving a life sentence for murder. So far as either Will or William knew, they were not related.

Possibly the Wests were identical twins who had been separated while they were babies. They looked alike in every way, but their fingerprints were different. Later study of the records showed that a fingerprint expert could not have mistaken the two men.

The world's greatest fingerprint collection is at Washington, D.C., under charge of J. Edgar Hoover, head of the F.B.I. (Federal Bureau of Investigation). Millions of sets of fingerprints are on record there.

The FBI has a large force of men and women who know how to locate the proper cards. Thousands of new fingerprint records are studied each day, and help is given to police officers all over the United States. Police in Canada and other countries also receive help, and in their turn they give help when it is asked. It has been found that criminals tend to commit the same kind of crimes over and over again.

Persons who commit crimes are a public danger. So far as the F.B.I. and other agencies keep criminals under control, they are helping to provide a better world.

(For general interest section of your scrapbook.)

U.S. Budget Hints War Till 1945

LONDON (CP)—President Roosevelt's budget message was accorded large headlines today by the London press, which emphasized that the budget invisions the possibility of the war lasting until July 1, 1945, and called attention to the President's assertion that "we cannot safely rely on a 1944 victory."

Editorial comment on the message was generally favorable. The Daily Express, commenting on the President's tax demands, said:

"Thus in an election year President Roosevelt once again stakes his own popularity and the election chances of his party."

"He does his duty not only as the leader of America but as one of the great directing brains of a fighting alliance."

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Letters to Editor

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YOUNG CANADA

In the Times of Jan. 8 your Mr. Hutchison has some rather pertinent remarks to make relative to the condition of the minds of the students of today.

He appeared to be under the impression that our schools and colleges of today should be imparting to their pupils the same old stuff that they were drilling into them in Mr. Hutchison's school days.

He says, he knows "very little about education," which, if I may say so, I can readily believe. Also, judging by some of his articles on other subjects, political economy, for instance, he is slightly lacking there, too.

It is pleasing to see that he does make the concession that the mentality of the Canadian youth is all right. He says the boys and girls are as bright as ever. That, at any rate, is some-

thing the boys and girls will be pleased to hear from someone who admits, at the opening of his funny column, that he knows "little about education."

The boys and girls will probably have an opinion about how much Mr. Hutchison knows about boys and girls, too.

I suppose he had to concede that much to their brightness, for fear of offending your readers who have boys and girls that they look upon as quite smart. (And what parent doesn't look upon their children that way?)

I would like to say to your reporter that if he took a trip across the fields and prairies of Canada he would find, if he stayed long enough at any place but Ottawa, that all over this country of ours there are young men who have never taken a day's training in mechanics, for instance, but just the same they can take down and put together, so that it works right, almost any sort of a combustion engine. That is practical education which in most cases they have taught themselves, but they had to be able to read and write to do that.

C. J. CARR.

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G. F. Fountain of Vancouver was elected president of the board of management for the Corporation of B.C. Land Surveyors at the 39th annual meeting in Vancouver.

Others elected were R. W. Hagen, Rossland, vice-president; F. Butterfield, Victoria, secretary; F. C. Green, surveyor-general of B.C., Victoria, ex-officio; John Davidson and J. W. Hermon, both of Vancouver; D. J. McGugan, New Westminster, and F. W. Gregory, Princeton, members of the board.

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WASS TUBS

NOT BAD FOR THE FIRST TUB OVER, COLONEL BRILL!

WHA! EASY WAS TO BE WAITING AT THIS CORNER OF THE FIELD, YES NOT HERE!

DOGS! UNTIL THEY COME OVER AGAIN!

THEN AS THE STRAPING BANK SWEEP FOR THE RETURN SWEEP...

LOOK, COLONEL! THAT MUST BE CAPTAIN EASY SWAMPING TO US!

THEY GEE US, GRUMBLERS! THEY SEE US! HERE THEY COME BACK!

MR. AND MRS.

NOW YOU STAY RIGHT HERE WITH THAT COLD AND TAKE WHAT I GIVE YOU! UH-HUH—SURE!

YOU MUST TAKE PLENTY OF LIQUIDS. HERE'S A CAN OF PINEAPPLE JUICE—AND THE CAN OPENER—OKAY!

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

THIS IS NICE, STEPHEN—BUT WE CAN'T EAT OUT EVERY EVENING!

I TELL YOU IF I EVER SEE ANOTHER DIRTY, DINK, I'LL—

OH, MY GOODNESS, I SEEM TO HAVE FORGOT MY WALLET!

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

WE'LL NEVER MAKE THAT TRAIN FOR SHADYSIDE IF WE CAN'T GET A TAXI!

AND LOOKIT THE PEOPLE AHEAD OF US!

FOOLKS, THERE'S A VACANCY AT 1845 DELAWARE!

THEY SURE LEFT IN A HURRY! THAT WAS A GOOD GAG!

IT WASN'T A GAG! THERE'S A VACANCY!

WHY DON'T YOU SAY SO!!!!

ALLEY OOP

WHILE WE'VE FINALLY GOT OOP CORRALLED IN MOO, GETTING HIM BACK HERE IS SOMETHING ELSE AGAIN... BUT I THINK COOLA IS THE SOLUTION OF OUR PROBLEM. DON'T YOU?

OH—YES, I DO INDEED!

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Victoria Lions' Club \$7,000 gift home will be drawn for by His Honor Lieutenant-Governor W. C. Woodward, at the opening of the hockey game in Willows Arena, Monday night at 8.30, between Navy and V.M.D.

The drawing was originally scheduled to take place between periods, but as hockey rules do not allow sufficient time, the drawing had to be changed to the opening of the game.

Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Woodward, aides and party will be escorted to the ice surface at the press box, by Jack Fuller, president of the Lions' Club. The latter will be introduced by Lee Hallberg, master of ceremonies, and will announce Mr. and Mrs. Woodward. The Lieutenant-Governor will then draw for the home. Ten other awards of Victory Bonds will also be drawn with Mrs. Woodward drawing the first \$100 bond.

Following the drawing, players of both hockey teams will be presented to His Honor, who will be accompanied by Captain Massey-Goulden, naval officer in charge at Esquimalt, B.C. and Mrs. Goulden, Lieutenant Commander Hew Paterson and H. S.

Hammill, manager of V.M.D. Ltd., and Mrs. Hammill. British Child War Victims' Fund and the Chinese Relief will receive the net profits of the four-month sale of subscriptions on the home. No tickets will be sold after today. Mayor Andrew McGavin will be out of town at the time of the draw but will be represented by Alderman John Worthington.

To Again Request Car License Cut

Marshaling their forces to again petition the government to cut motor license fees in half this year, Frank Bird, secretary-manager of the B.C. Automobile Association, and D. T. Thomson, a director, are in Victoria conferring with members of the cabinet and local businessmen. Last year the association staged an unsuccessful drive to have the license fees reduced, in view of gas rationing and tire shortages which keep cars off the roads.

Some days ago Premier Hart said the matter would be discussed at the forthcoming session of the Legislature, but he said the government has made no decision.

Ask City Solicitor Handle U.B.C.M. Work

A recommendation that F. L. Shaw, city solicitor, be permitted to act as solicitor for the Union of B.C. Municipalities in the unavoidable absence of Harry J. Sullivan, K.C., was made by the City Council. Mr. Sullivan, the city was informed, is unable to carry on his usual business as union solicitor owing to ill-health. The union, on the eve of a session of the Legislature, is anxious to have legal assistance in preparation of its material. For that purpose it has sought Mr. Shaw's services. Mr. Shaw is prepared to assume the duties and has Mayor McGavin's consent. Formal ratification by the council, it was felt, will be granted.

Support of a motion protesting the reduction in the octane content of automobile gasoline without a corresponding drop in the price, is sought by the Farmers' Co-operative Association, Nanaimo, in a letter received at the City Hall today.

Registry Suggests Communal Feeding

Establishment of communal feeding centres which would enable families to make use of rooms without housekeeping facilities, alleviate pressure on transportation and on overcrowded city restaurants is under consideration, Mrs. W. E. Rayfuse, manager of the Victoria Housing Registry, says in her annual report to Ottawa on local housing problems.

In view of the seriousness of the housing shortage, the registry is making every effort to solve the ever-present problems of fuel and food in order to bolster the morale of servicemen and war workers, which is becoming affected by distressing conditions, she said.

One of the many problems of the shortage is the lack of cheap rooms for Old Age Pensioners. One large house which was rented at a nominal sum has been turned over to the Local Council of Women, who have established a house where rooms can be secured cheaply. This is working very well, Mrs. Rayfuse says, only the demand is much greater than the supply.

Mentioning a report on compulsory registration conducted by L. S. Davis of the Real Property Administrator's office, Mrs. Rayfuse emphasized the fact that 41 per cent of applications for accommodation were newcomers to the city. Shipyard workers comprise about half of those applying, and the registry works in close co-operation with the housing department of their personnel division.

Every summer cottage, auto camp and shack within 15 miles of the city has been pressed into service, she stated, and listed the many social problems which arise from congestion, schooling facilities, transportation, and health problems. The discouragement felt when families have to live apart is not conducive to high morale, and the statement concludes this resentment is making itself felt more and more.

The four suggestions offered to alleviate the situation are to prevent unessential, nonpermanent people from coming here, persuade those in this category to leave, provide more accommodation (possibly by pre-fabricated housing), and set up a system of community feeding centres which would enable bedrooms and single rooms now vacant to be used.

Y.M.C.A. Announces Youth Radio Program

Youth Men's Christian Association in Victoria announced today that a program of "inter-view" to all groups concerned with juvenile problems will be commenced Saturday afternoon from 1 to 1.30 over the National Broadcasting Company, and will be sponsored by 10 organizations, including the National Council of Y.M.C.A.'s of the United States.

The series of 13 programs will be entitled "Here's to Youth," and each will be in dramatic form, with Helen Hayes featured on Saturday's program. "Young Americans in Crisis" will be the title of the first program and will form an introduction to the series.

Gas, Ration Book Taken

Theft of gasoline from her private car and two trucks during the last three days was reported to city police Thursday by Mrs. H. Musfeldt, 1549 Pembroke. Ed Ash, 2532 Fifth Street, reported his gasoline ration book stolen from the glove compartment of his car, parked near the V.M.D.

The winter's wood supply of Mrs. N. Griffith, 133 George Street, was depleted by thieves, she told police.

Theft of his overcoat and \$21, along with other articles, while he was dining in a cafe with his wife was reported by H. Gaunt, Shawinigan Lake.

Police have been asked to investigate two boys who gave false names and addresses to obtain Navy League of Canada membership books.

Meanwhile police are seeking the owner of a baby buggy which was found abandoned at Fort and Broad Thursday night.

A room at 1319 Vancouver, occupied by Mrs. Edith Halverson, was entered and some clothes taken.

Walter Yeamans, 1612 Quadra, reported his room entered and a purse containing \$25 and three food ration books taken.

Car Hits Standard In Freak Accident

A taxi driven by Doreen Clear, 1328 Cloverdale, pulling from the curb at Government and Courtney, caught the bumper of a car owned by Edward Cridge, 1550 Hampshire Road, at 10 Thursday night. The Cridge car rolled across the street and crashed into a light standard, breaking it off.

An army car, reported by the provost corps to have been driven by Maj. Nichol, R.C.A., Tillicum Road camp, crashed into a telephone pole at Tyee and Johnson at 12.45 this morning.

Cities Have Lost Interest In B.C. Electric Says Hart

Premier John Hart said today he has come to the opinion the cities and municipalities are no longer interested in the proposal that they acquire the assets and services of the B.C. Electric Railway Co.

He was commenting on recent exchange of letters between himself, Mayor A. McGavin of Victoria, and Mayor J. W. Cornett of Vancouver, and he recalled what he told the House a year ago. He said his stand has not changed since he made the following statement in the Legislature:

"In view of the references in the newspapers to the B.C. Electric Railway Company, I have been asked to state the government's position on the proposals outlined."

"The government is not prepared to take over and operate the transportation system—in Victoria and Vancouver—neither is it prepared to undertake the distribution of electricity in those areas."

"While it might be a very opportune time for Victoria and Vancouver to acquire the rights and charter of this company, the government is not suggesting that they do so; but, as I said before, if that is their desire and they approach the government, every assistance will be given in connection with the financing of such a scheme."

Premier Hart commented: "It is my understanding, therefore, that the cities and municipalities do not wish to proceed further with the proposal."

The question is expected to be widely debated at the session of the Legislature, opening Feb. 1.

With Our Servicemen

By DICK FREEMAN

Squad Ldr. Vernon C. (Woody) Woodward, D.F.C., with bar R.A.F., writes his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Woodward, 587 Fairfield Road, that he has left his squadron to take a staff college course at headquarters of the Middle East Force. With an "ops" record that credits him with a score of downed enemy planes and an undetermined number of probables in the hottest spots of the Mediterranean fighting zone, Woody, doubtless somewhat regretfully, left his squadron pals to take a special air course which has been condensed from a year to three months, involving hard study and, incidentally, a great deal of danger.

Woody has a phenomenal record as an air fighter. He was in the thick of it from the start, first attached to Wavell's columns in north Africa, then thrusting into Greece with the British invasion force, forced down in the fighting, and climaxed by a hair-raising escape through Crete. He was the only one of his squadron of 33 to survive the Grecian campaign. Subsequently he served for a year as an instructor in aerial gunnery in the heart of Africa. In Rhodesia, then, his craving for action still unsatisfied, he went back to "ops," took part in the "Monty" show.

His wife, Noreen, also is in uniform in the Middle East, serving with the U.S. Air Corps. They recently celebrated their two years of married life.

Flt. Sgt. Fred Cook, R.C.A.F., is missing in air operations overseas, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cook, 461 Herbert Street, Duncan. He is a brother of Ben Cook, Vancouver pro golfer. Another brother, Albert, and a sister, Mrs. Dave Buick, reside in Victoria. PO. Arthur E. Freeman, R.C.A.F., Cobble Hill, missing since December, is reported a prisoner of war in Germany. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Freeman, Cobble Hill. His wife lives with her mother, Mrs. H. G. Brown, Langford, Freeman, with Sgt. P. LaFortune, cycled to Washington, D.C., in 1937 to represent Cowichan Scouts at an international jamboree. Cpl. Alistair McKim, formerly with the B.C. Police, well known at Duncan and other island points, is now serving with an army unit in north Africa. Capt. John M. Oldham, Royal Engineers, is back in England after more than three years in the Mediterranean area. His parents are Lt. Col. and Mrs. F. T. Oldham, Cobble Hill. Cmdr. Arthur F. Peers, R.C.N., who received the O.B.E. in the New Year's honor lists, is a former Victorian, having attended University School from 1912 to 1914. He served with the Grand Fleet in the last war, then became a civil engineer. He joined the Canadian navy early in this war. A brother, W. J. Peers, is manager of the Victoria branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia.

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TOWN TOPICS

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Walter Welsford, executive director of the Associated Hospitals Association of British Columbia, announced today the appointment of Ainslie J. Helmecken as resident representative of the association at Victoria.

In appreciation of his services as chairman for the three years ending last December, members of the city school board Wednesday evening presented a combination cigarette case and lighter to F. G. Mulliner at a function in the home of Municipal Inspector and Mrs. H. L. Campbell. The presentation was made by Trustee Margaret D. Christie. Trustee Mulliner replied fittingly.

Taking into consideration difficulties in securing supplies, the present city street lighting system is the best available, W. J. McMicking, city lighting superintendent, informed the city lights committee Thursday. He outlined improvements made recently, noted war condition had interrupted plans made four years ago for further extensions and said 200 lights had been installed in residential areas in the last five years.

Ald. T. W. Hawkins, lands, zoning and town planning committee chairman; F. L. Shaw, city solicitor, and D. K. Kennedy, building inspector, were appointed a special committee by the city town planning group Thursday to collect suggestions from citizens and others along postwar construction lines. During the meeting the committee heard an outline of improvements envisioned by the city. Seven sales were listed for approval by the City Council at its next meeting.

Hospital Appeal To Go to Estimates

The Jubilee Hospital appeal to the city for \$50,000 towards cost of a new maternity pavilion was given sympathetic hearing Thursday afternoon by the city finance committee. Delegates from the hospital were informed the issue would be taken up by the City Council in estimates committee.

Presenting the brief for the hospital were E. W. McMullen, chairman of the board of directors; Judge H. H. Shandley and C. Morrison, secretary.

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Ald. W. L. Morgan, city finance committee chairman, said the council could make no policy statement at present. The annual financial statement, he added, had not yet been submitted.

Ex-Shanghai Policeman Joins B.C. Force

After serving for many years with the international police force in Shanghai, John Medley has been taken on Provincial Police strength and is now stationed at Courtenay.

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Crewmen of Corvette's Small Boat Make Daring Rescue in Big Sea

AN ATLANTIC PORT (CP)—Six crewmen of the Canadian corvette Agassiz, answering a call for aid as a convoy struggled through a north Atlantic storm, took to a 17-foot seaboot and braved heavy seas and subsequent injuries to transfer a merchantman.

The merchantman, rocking and rolling, had signalled for a doctor to treat an injured officer.

In the four-oared dinghy were Lieut. Robert Douy of Halifax and Ozona Park, L.S. W. C. Shaw, Winnipeg; AB. Roland Poltras, Montreal; Dale Huggins, Belleville, Ont.; M. J. Mayhew, Sturgeon Falls, Ont., and Signalman T. Moore, Montreal.

Their first task was to reach the convoy's rescue ship, which carried a doctor. This wasn't easy, said Douy in his account of the trip.

BOAT TOOK WATER
"We had trouble getting alongside the rescue ship because we had taken a good deal of water on the way over and the boat was hard to control. To add to the discomfort, the ship was rolling heavily and we were whizzing up and down its side like an express elevator."

"But finally we got a line fast, and during the course of the terrific upswings the doctor and a sick berth attendant managed to leap off the ladder into the boat."

Names of the doctor and the attendant were not disclosed in the Navy press release describing the trip.

The seat boat managed to cast

off and steer for the merchantman and finally manoeuvred close to the merchantman's side ladder.

"The boat began behaving like an express elevator all over again. The rope ladder seemed to disappear up into the mist."

"The sick berth attendant followed the doctor part way up, but the boat 'balled after' him and scooped him back on board."

The freighter rolled far over and down on the seaboot, tipping it so that the boat's crew were spilled out between the boat and the ship's side.

There was a crash, said Douy, and when spray had subsided "I could see Mayhew hanging on to the signalman and another member of the boat's crew."

ONE HALF-CONSCIOUS
"One Canadian rating had been thrown against the freighter's side. His shoulder injured, he was hanging over the stern of the boat, half-conscious. The attendant had a broken wrist and a black eye, and seemed in need of a sick berth attendant himself. Another man had a sprained shoulder."

"The freighter moved off and disappeared in the mist," said Douy. "We slipped out from under her stern, and with three men rowing and one paddling we managed to make some headway. Three men were stretched out in the bottom of the boat."

The Agassiz picked them up within half an hour.

CADET THEATRE
Police characters in "A Night to Remember," for the first time in many films, are not dopes. If left to themselves they would solve the slaying in the Columbia comedy starring Loretta Young and Brian Aherne at the Cadet Theatre, according to Richard Wallace, director.

OAK BAY THEATRE
"One Night in Lisbon" is the first big laugh to be smuggled out of war-torn Europe.
For today Lisbon has become the most exciting, most romantic city in all the world. With its crowded refugees who range from kings to beggars all seeking this last port of escape, "One Night in Lisbon," which made its bow at the Oak Bay Theatre last night, has caught all of the European capitol's magical spell and colorful background.

PLAZA THEATRE
Claude Rains has the title role in Universal's Technicolor terror classic, "Phantom of the Opera," which is currently showing at the Plaza Theatre. He is co-starred with Nelson Eddy and Susanna Foster. Appearing with Rains in the supporting cast of "Phantom of the Opera" are such screen notables as Edgar Barrier, Leo Carrillo, Jane Farrar, J. Edward Bromberg, Fritz Feld and Hume Cronyn.

Reporter-Gunner Honored
LONDON (CP)—Sgt. Oran C. (Bud) Hutton, former New York Post and New York World-Telegram writer, has been awarded the U.S. Army Air Medal and honored by the Association of American Correspondents in London for making five bombing trips over Europe as a volunteer gunner-reporter.

Hutton qualified as a gunner and flew on the missions as a regular crew member so he could give the soldier-readers of the army newspaper Stars and Stripes a first-hand picture.

Gershwin Festival Program Complete

List of artists starring in the Gershwin Memorial Festival, to be presented on Hilker Attractions Modernage Series, Monday, at the Royal Victoria Theatre, is now complete. The stars, Anne Brown, soprano, and Donald Dickson, baritone, will be supplemented by the brilliant pianist, Dorothy Eustis, who will play two groups. Juan Root will serve as narrator, while Leo Mueller will act as accompanist for the singers. The program follows:

1. (Donald Dickson) "Song of the Flame," "Song of the Flame"; "Somebody Loves Me," "George White Scandals" (1924); medley, "Of Thee I Sing."

2. (Dorothy Eustis) "Rhapsody in Blue," Gershwin.

3. (Anne Brown) "Summer-time," "Porgy and Bess," "My Man's Gone Now," "Porgy and Bess."

4. (Miss Eustis). Three preludes for piano: "Allegro ben ritmato e deciso," "Andante con moto a poco," "Allegro ben ritmato e deciso."

5. (Miss Brown) Sketches: "Let's Call the Whole Thing Off," "The Man I Love."

6. (Mr. Dickson) "Love Walked In," "Elegiac Follies," "Bitter My Time," "Girl Crazy"; "I Got Plenty of Nuttin'," "Porgy and Bess"; "Woman Is a Sometime Thing," "Porgy and Bess."

7. (Miss Brown and Mr. Dickson) "I Love You, Porgy," "Porgy and Bess"; "Bess, You Is My Woman Now," "Porgy and Bess."

Spend Honeymoon Dodging Gestapo
Fred MacMurray, whose specialty has been making love to glamour girls of the screen, takes on a bride in the person of Joan Crawford in "Above Suspicion," their first role together. This is M-G-M's "Above Suspicion," Helen MacInnes' dramatic story of counter-espionage, Nazi secret intrigue and "the underground" in central Europe prior to the outbreak of war. It comes today to the Dominion Theatre.

MacMurray and Miss Crawford play an Oxford professor and his bride, who devote their honeymoon to carrying out a dangerous mission on the continent. Their escapes from the Gestapo and other adventures, cram the story with thrills.

ATLAS THEATRE
Based upon a screen play by Casey Robinson and Capt. Claude Binyon, Irving Berlin's "This Is the Army" is now playing at the Atlas Theatre. In it, Radio's great star, Kate Smith, sings the beloved hymn, "God Bless America," which she introduced to the nation over the airwaves. Frances Langford puts over the new Berlin number "What Does He Look Like?" while Gertrude Niesen sings some of the composer's World War I tunes.

CAPITOL THEATRE
Both favorites in their respective fields of romantic comedy and outdoor action, Jean Arthur and John Wayne are teamed for the first time in RKO Radio's sparkling new fun film, "A Lady Takes a Chance," currently at the Capitol Theatre.

Miss Arthur plays a Manhattan bank clerk on a vacation out west, and Wayne, a rodeo star with whom she has a hectic romance that forms the basis of the gay plot.

William A. Seiter directed the Frank Ross production.

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Where to Go Tonight

ATLAS—George Murphy in "This Is the Army."
CADET—"A Night to Remember," starring Brian Aherne.
CAPITOL—"A Lady Takes a Chance," starring Jean Arthur.

DOMINION—"Above Suspicion," starring Fred MacMurray and Joan Crawford.

OAK BAY—Fred MacMurray in "One Night in Lisbon."

PLAZA—"Phantom of the Opera," with Nelson Eddy.

RIO—"Mystery of the Thirteenth Guest," starring Helen Parrish.

YORK—Randolph Scott in "Consignation."

Corvette Romance At Oak Bay, Plaza
Though the corvette is strictly a creation of the present global war, her name goes back to Britain's navy of Napoleonic War days in the late 18th and early 19th centuries. Then, a corvette was a full-rigged ship, carrying one line of guns.

The history of the modern corvette is to a considerable degree the history of the small but efficient Royal Canadian Navy, which specializes in the construction and operation of this sort of anti-submarine craft. Corvettes are chunky, one-funnelled vessels armed for every possible emergency.

The famous little battleships are dramatized for the first time on the screen in Howard Hawks' "Corvette K-225" coming Monday to the Oak Bay and Plaza Theatres.

YORK THEATRE
who acted as technical expert for Columbia's "Only Angels Have Wings," supervised aerial thrill sequences for "Coast Guard," Columbia's epic drama at York Theatre with Randolph Scott, Frances Dee, Ralph Bellamy and Walter Connolly heading an outstanding cast which includes Warren Hymer, Mala and Edmund MacDonald.

RIO THEATRE
Dick Purcell and Helen Parrish top a strong cast in Monogram's "Mystery of the Thirteenth Guest," murder-mystery feature now at the Rio Theatre. Others in the film are Tim Ryan, Frank Faylen, John Duncan, Jon Dawson and Jacqueline Dalya. William Beaudine directed the eerie thriller for Producer Lindsey Parsons.

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